



AGA KHAN FOUNDATION
CANADA

Partnerships and Networking Expert

Host Agency: Aga Khan University

Placement: Nairobi, Kenya

Duration: 9 Months

About AKF Canada

Aga Khan Foundation Canada (AKFC) is a leading global development organization and registered charity working to tackle the root causes of poverty. Since 1980, we have helped create strong community institutions that support sustainable, locally-driven initiatives to improve the lives of millions of people in Africa and Asia. By combining local knowledge with global best practices, we strive to bring about transformative and long-lasting improvements to quality of life. In Canada, AKFC mobilizes funding and expertise, and promotes awareness of global issues. In all of our work, advancing gender equality, inclusion and pluralism are key objectives and approaches.

Working alongside the agencies of the Aga Khan Development Network and through partnerships with local communities, civil society, and business as well as governments and international aid agencies, we are building a future where we all thrive together.

About AKU

The [Centre of Excellence in Women and Child Health](#), East Africa (CoEWCH EA) is a research and capacity building entity within the Aga Khan University, working on issues of relevance in developing countries to improve the health and wellbeing of women, adolescents, and children. Aga Khan University is a unique hybrid: an institution of academic excellence and provision of high quality of care that is also an agent for social development.

In line with its vision and mission, Aga Khan University East Africa, CoEWCH, is a proud holder of the UNESCO Chair on Youth Leadership in Science, Health, Gender and Education” aiming at equitable investment in the youth of East Africa to become the new leaders in science, health, gender, and education. Through capacity building of youth in health and gender aspects, training and mentorship in strengthening of life and communication skills, and indulging them in research, the UNESCO Chair promotes scientific excellence and innovation, health and wellbeing, and builds the health, social, economic, political and rights assets of young women and men.

The Chair also aims to address gender norms and sociocultural practices in order to reduce gender inequalities and sexual and gender-based violence. The AKU-UNESCO Chair main focus over the last 4 years has been on health and gender, whereas the planned activities and collaborations in the fields of education and science, have been considerably impacted by the Covid-19 pandemic. New education and science initiatives have been launched in 2022.



Consultancy Summary

The consultant will work closely with the AKU UNESCO chair to support the goals of CoEWCH EA.

Responsibilities

- Establish an organizational system
- Develop a 4-year strategic plan
- Train staff in multilateral relations
- Resource mobilization and partnerships
- Increase visibility and impact of the organization

Required Qualifications & Experience

We are looking for a mid-level professional with at least 5 years experience in fostering long term institutional capacity of host institutions. This individual needs to have proven experience in grant proposal writing as well as experience in global resource mobilization.

Additional Characteristics

- Demonstrated initiative. Ability to set priorities and work effectively with minimum supervision.
- Superior organizational and management ability.
- Promote personal and professional development.
- Strong decision making skills.
- Strong analytical skills.
- Good report writing skills.
- Strong interpersonal and Public Relations skills.
- Ability to relate well with colleagues.
- Able to work flexible/long hours if and when required.
- Good written and verbal communication skills.
- Good listening, collaboration and reporting skills.
- Good personal organization and planning skills.
- Can work independently with no supervision.
- Broad and strategic thinker.

Language

English will be the only mode of communication, both spoken and written

Apply

Interested applicants are encouraged to apply by clicking the link below.

<https://akfc.submittable.com/submit/268491/cadex-2023-partnerships-and-networking-expert-aku-nairobi>

Deadline: August 31, 2023 by 11:59pm EDT



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Please note that due to the nature of funding for this position, the placement is only open to Canadian citizens or permanent residents. Only shortlisted candidates will be contacted.

AKFC is committed to advancing gender equality and inclusion through our programming and operations in Canada and overseas. AKFC requires all employees to review and abide by the AKFC Gender Equality Policy.

AKFC recognizes the importance of safeguarding and is committed to ensuring it manages a wide range of risks such that beneficiaries, staff, other associates and the organization as a whole are kept safe from harm.

AKFC welcomes and encourages applications from people with disabilities. Accommodations are available on request for candidates taking part in all aspects of the selection process.