



Applications for the post of GDC Fellow and GDC Manager

Global Development Centre at RIS is looking for highly accomplished and motivated candidates to occupy these extremely important positions on contractual basis:

GDC Fellow

Candidate must be a subject expert, highly proficient in research and analytical abilities, preferably with sufficient administrative experience, and cross-cutting knowledge in one or two verticals of the GDC, i.e., i) Health; ii) Agriculture; iii) STI & Digital Technologies (with special focus on ICT-based Governance solutions); and iv) Development Practices & New Frameworks

The post of GDC Fellow is a senior academic position within the GDC. The Fellow will be responsible for both academic work as well as tasked with administrative oversight. Fellows should be creative visionaries, self-motivated and able to propose new frontiers in alignment with the GDC mandate as well as be able to implement the ongoing programmes of the GDC effectively. He/ She should take the lead in networking proactively and build well-coordinated frameworks to ensure that the GDC builds robust relationships with key stakeholders within its partner countries. These relations must be built with the government sector as well as non-government sectors including academic, civil society and private enterprise. The Fellow will also be responsible for framing medium term (6 months) and long term (annual) plans for the GDC Work programme in his/ her vertical.

The Fellow must be capable of producing high-quality academic studies geared towards the GDC mandate of using an evidence-based approach for the creation of alternative development paradigms that are unique and that go beyond the doctrines of traditional models and promote inclusiveness and sustainability.

Some of the activities required from the Fellow include:

- Creation of Country Profiles based on secondary research from national planned documents, government rules and regulations, and policy frameworks on GDC priority areas reflecting their short-term and long-term needs and areas for possible collaboration with India.
- Identify credible local partners, preferably with linkages in the national governments, and prepare background briefs on their operations for their possible sector wise engagement with GDC as technical partners.
- Map out country specific local work plan for the initial six months, along with timelines.
- Coordinate the organisation of GDC dialogues, meetings or interactions with their local partners and create reports on their outcomes.
- Work towards creating Thematic Research Centres (TRCs) within the partner countries for greater engagement and interaction.

Educational Qualification: Ph.D in Social Sciences from a reputed university.

Experience: 15 years of research experience out of which, five years should be at lead position.

GDC Manager

Candidate must be highly proficient in research, administrative and managerial abilities, with sufficient experience, and cross-cutting knowledge in the field of International Development Cooperation. He/ She will be responsible for the day to day planning, coordination and administrative work of the GDC as well as for any events planned under the GDC Work Programme.

The post of GDC Manager is an administrative position within the GDC. The Manager will report to the Director, GDC as well as GDC Fellows who are responsible for their respective verticals. The Manager will be responsible for administrative duties and the creation of managerial systems that ensure the smooth functioning of the GDC. The Manager is expected to have broad cross-disciplinary knowledge of all areas of the GDC's operations. He/ She is expected to be self-motivated and able to handle challenging and complex activities under pressure. He/ She must ensure that the GDC activities are proceeding as per the pre-decided timelines and plans, and compensate for variances and deviations.

Some of the activities required from a Manager include:

- To take care of global operations of assigned verticals of GDC in collaboration with political, governmental, non-governmental and other stakeholders, including concerned high ranking government policy makers and shapers, lead academic institutions, eminent think tanks, industry and civil society.
- To conceptualize, prepare and implement a time-bound programme under identified thematic areas. To periodically review the entire operations for timely attainment of pre-decided outcomes.
- To work out and implement an outreach strategy, including consultations and events, of the assigned dimensions of the work programme.
- To prepare the periodic status reports on the work programme to the Governing Board of GDC and implement its advice and directives.

Educational Qualification: Masters in Social Sciences from a reputed university. Candidate having a Ph.D. would be preferred.

Experience: 10 years of research experience out of which, five years should be at lead position.

Please Note: Candidates with specialization in Economics/Development Economics, having in-depth knowledge of Government's flagship programmes for their possible replication in Asia and Africa with strong communications skills, both verbal and in writing, and experience with international organizations on development projects would be preferred.

Candidates should be capable of analysing and contributing to high-quality academic studies involving an evidence-based approach as required by the GDC mandate. Candidates must be able to work in an integrated manner with existing teams and possess a synergetic attitude and team spirit. Candidates must also be willing to travel within India or abroad at short notice, as required by the GDC.

Remuneration: Commensurate with the qualifications and experience.

Engagement of selected candidates for GDC would be initially for a period of 1 year, which is extendable further after a review of their overall performance. However, the key drivers for their continuation with GDC would be the quality and depth of their knowledge in their respective areas, efficiency in delivering the assigned tasks, sense of creativity and innovation to come up with suggestions or ideas to promote the work of GDC, ability to devise creative solutions to deal with emerging issues, and capacity to effectively contribute to the work programme of GDC.

Last date for receipt of applications: 31 March 2020

Interested candidates may apply in attached Application Form, along with their updated CV, duly supported by required documents, to Email: director@gdc.in