

Fellowship Announcement

Civil Society Monitoring and Advocacy in the Field of Human Rights, Criminal Justice and Social Equity

The Institute of Public Policy announces a civil society monitoring and advocacy fellowship program in the area of human rights, criminal justice and social equity.

The fellowship will be facilitated in the framework of "Pursuing positive change through empowering civil society" project, implemented by the Open Society Foundations – Armenia, Institute of Public Policy and Union of informed Citizens NGO, with the financial support of the European Union.

The fellows will be engaged in the Knowledge Hub, which will be established during the project with an objective to contribute to the quality, relevance and sustainability of civil society monitoring and advocacy functions.

About the Action

The Fellow is expected to collaborate in the team of the “*Pursuing Positive Change through Empowering Civil Society*” Action, which is designed to increase civil society’s professional, organisational and collective advocacy capacity to achieve positive change in the following six areas:

- 1. Domestic violence,**
- 2. Anti-discrimination,**
- 3. Right to be free from torture,**
- 4. Right to fair trial,**
- 5. Access to quality education,**
- 6. Equitable access to healthcare services.**

The objective of the Action is to develop a Toolkit with unified standards and methodology for Armenian civil society organisations (CSO) in conducting monitoring and advocacy with the purpose to bring consistency in civil society monitoring and advocacy functions.

In the framework of the Action, a Knowledge Hub is established comprising physical and online spaces. The physical space is designed to offer methodological consultations in conducting research, monitoring and advocacy. The online database is designed to store research and monitoring data, which will be made accessible to civil society advocacy purposes.

The Knowledge Hub, by means of its physical and online spaces, is expected to ensure sustainability of monitoring and advocacy functions of Armenian CSOs. The Knowledge Hub aims to serve as a one unified platform collecting and using information for established CSOs, researchers, policy makers, journalists and activists.

Six fellows will be selected; each – for one of the above-mentioned areas.

Expectations

- The primary role of the fellow will be to apply constant updates to the research, monitoring and advocacy Toolkit, created for Armenian CSOs.
- The fellow is expected to provide methodological guidance and consultation to CSOs conducting research, monitoring and advocacy.
- The fellow will be responsible for receipt, verification, input and publishing of the monitoring and advocacy data submitted by CSOs through the online database.

- The fellow will also be responsible for preparation of policy briefs based on the data submitted by CSOs.
- It is expected that the fellow liaise with the director of the Action and Knowledge Hub coordinator, and provide information to the Action team, as needed.

Eligibility

- At least an MA degree in law, education, public health or any other related field (specialization in one of the six selected areas will be considered as an advantage).
- A minimum of three years of work experience in the field of either human rights, criminal justice or social equity.
- Excellent knowledge of international human rights framework, focusing on issues related to at least one of the above-mentioned six areas.
- Knowledge of domestic law in the field of human rights in the Republic of Armenia.
- Knowledge of research methods in contemporary social and political fields.
- Experience in research, design and evaluation of civil society monitoring activities in the field of human rights, focusing on at least one of the above-mentioned six areas.
- Experience in working with CSOs in post-Soviet countries.
- Knowledge of social and political developments of post-Soviet countries.
- Excellent communication and facilitation skills.
- Knowledge of Armenian and English languages.
- Experience in mentoring, consultation, teaching or training is highly desirable.

Application Procedures

Interested candidates are **required** to submit these documents to vacancy@ipp.am:

- a **CV**,
- a **writing sample from current or a previous job** (article, policy paper, report etc.),
- a **letter of motivation** stating why they want to become a part of the team, and how they see their contribution to the Action.

Period

Fellow's involvement is expected during the period of July 2018 – December 2019 with a possibility of extension.

Location

Yerevan, Armenia

Deadline for submission of applications

18:00 June 17, 2018



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