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Research Fellow (6-month contract) Role
IEP is currently recruiting for a number of projects that are expected to commence in 2020. The positions will be an initial fixed term contract of 6 months with extensions depending on successful completion of the initial contract.

The Research Fellow will have a track record of conducting quantitative research in one or more of the fields of social sciences, development studies, statistics, economics, and peace and conflict studies. They will have a good understanding of current debates in international relations and development.

The Candidate would typically work on researching and writing global, regional or country level research reports. This would include analysing historical quantitative data and contextualising this with a qualitative review of contextual issues relating to development and conflict. To be successful the Candidate would need to be comfortable sourcing data, generating charts, discussing trends and interpreting these through a literature review of developmental and conflict contexts.

The role will suit a Master’s level with experience in using data analysis for writing on international relations, development and political science.

Selection criteria and desired previous experience
1. Master’s degree or similar in a combination of economics and/or statistics, development studies, international relations or other social sciences discipline.
2. Minimum two years professional experience conducting empirical research and quantitative data analysis specifically related to a combination of social sciences, development studies, economics, statistics and peace and conflict studies.

3. Excellent writing skills. Experience in business or consulting writing for a non-technical audience will be prioritised over academic publications.

4. Advanced Microsoft Excel skills is expected

5. Experience handling large datasets and for statistical analysis.

6. Ability to use R (or other statistical software/programming language) is highly desirable.

7. Can work with minimal supervision.

**Duties and Responsibilities (will vary depending on candidate)**

- Contribute to project work relating to the study of international relations, economics, global development and conflict analysis.
- Present results of empirical analysis in interesting and easy to understand table and graphical formats to complement published IEP material.
- Collect and analyse information from a wide variety of sources.

**Desired personal qualities**

- Excellent attention to detail and solution oriented.
- Good mathematical skills
- Ability to meet multiple deadlines in a fast-paced work environment.
- Ability to work well under pressure with discretion and judgment.
- Deeply committed and interested in peace and development.

**This opportunity is open to those with full working rights in Australia.**

**Location:** This position is based at IEP headquarters, Sydney Australia.

**Hours:** This is a full time position for the duration of the 6-month contract.

**Remuneration:** The research fellow remuneration package will be commensurate with experience.

**Applications to:** CV and cover letter addressing the selection criteria and desired personal qualities to jobs@economicsandpeace.org. Only short listed applicants will be contacted.

**Deadline for applications:** 29th Feb 2020

**Website:** www.economicsandpeace.org, www.visionofhumanity.org