

Technical Associate – Infrastructure (Re Announced)



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Job Summary

Vacancy :

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Employment Status : Full Time

Experience : Any

Salary :

Gender : Any

Career Level : Any

Qualification :

Job Description

About UNDP:

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Duties and Responsibilities

The incumbent will undertake the following to ensure the success of the project:

Support effective design and implementation of infrastructure activities in the ABADEI program

Provide support in developing partnerships and ensure coordination with implementing partners and relevant stakeholders including UN agencies.

Contribute to knowledge management and information sharing in the ABADEI program team.

Support effective design and implementation of Infrastructure activities in the ABADEI program, focusing on achievement of the following results:

Take a lead in the identification of the infrastructure related activities;

Conduct technical surveys and feasibility studies of the selected infrastructure projects. Prepare technical designs, including drawings, specifications, and Bill of Materials and ensure International and National Standards/Norms (IBC) for quality and safety;

Assume responsibility for the implementation of the established UNDP practices for Cash for Work activities, Social and Environmental Screening (SES) and GRM; provide quality assurance and compliance of the infrastructure related activities. Ensure designs/deliverables are compliant with scope of work and contract requirements;

Ensure regular monitoring of the infrastructure projects and Report immediately the gaps or findings from activities in the ground to Supervisor and implementing partner/ contractor for resolving the issue;

Assist in the preparation of the bidding documents and evaluation reports related to procurement; Assist in contract management.

Provide support in developing partnerships and ensure coordination with implementing partners and relevant stakeholders including UN agencies, focusing on achievement of the following:

Support capacity building of local partners and implementing partners, organize relevant orientations and trainings for local partners.

Identify potential organizations to engage with in the targeted areas and contribute to build a network.

Act as the UNDP/ABADEI infrastructure focal person in the respective region to develop and support a coordination mechanism that allows to share information and to harmonize the work carried out by different partners. ☐

Provide engineering support to other projects and programmes in case of need.

Support working relationships and create programmatic linkages with relevant UN Agencies and counterparts, as guided by the supervisor.

Contribute to knowledge management and information sharing in the UNDP country office

Collect information related to infrastructure work and provide inputs for the preparation of substantive briefs and advocacy initiatives.

Identify and document best practices and lessons learned from infrastructure interventions.

Assist in producing publicity materials on infrastructure work including success and lessons learned.

Promote exchanging ideas, lessons learned with respect to technical, social and considerations.

Promote smooth work relationship at regional level, counterpart staff and other relevant bodies and report to direct Supervisor periodically.

Writing technical reports as per UNDP approved formats.

Perform other duties within your functional profile as assigned and deemed necessary for the efficient functioning of the office

Institutional Arrangement

The Technical Associate for Infrastructure will work in close coordination with the PMU team and be responsible for providing technical support to Infrastructure component. S/he works under the guidance and supervision of the respective Area Manager. The technical associate will also work closely with partners, UN Agencies, technical advisors and experts, and civil society to help implement infrastructure activities.

Competencies

Achieve Results: LEVEL 1: Plans and monitors own work, pays attention to details, delivers quality work by deadline

Think Innovatively: LEVEL 1: Open to creative ideas/known risks, is pragmatic problem solver, makes improvements

Learn Continuously: LEVEL 1: Open minded and curious, shares knowledge, learns from mistakes, asks for feedback

Adapt with Agility: LEVEL 1: Adapts to change, constructively handles ambiguity/uncertainty, is flexible

Act with Determination: LEVEL 1: Shows drive and motivation, able to deliver calmly in face of adversity, confident

Engage and Partner: LEVEL 1: Demonstrates compassion/understanding towards others, forms positive relationships

Enable Diversity and Inclusion: LEVEL 1: Appreciate/respect differences, aware of unconscious bias, confront discrimination

Cross-Functional & Technical competencies

Digital & Innovation - Data analysis - Ability to extract, analyse and visualize data (including Real-Time Data) to form meaningful insights and aid effective decision making

Partnership management - Emerging partnerships - Ability to engage with emerging partners, develop and manage a strategy and develop approaches to developing and managing these new strategic partnerships

Information Management & Technology - Solutions Architecture - Ability to design and manage the Information system architecture supporting corporate business processes. Design integration strategies and approaches to integrate of one or more applications or services to maintain a coherent and effective IT architecture. Knowledge of ISO 20000 and IT operations. The Open Group TOGAF9 or Open CA, ITIL Master certification, or DevOps or similar certification desirable.

Business Management - Communication - Ability to communicate in a clear, concise and unambiguous manner both through written and verbal communication; to tailor messages and choose communication methods depending on the audience. Ability to manage communications internally and externally, through media, social media and other appropriate channels

Knowledge Generation - Knowledge Generation - Ability to research and turn information into useful knowledge, relevant for content, or responsive to a stated need.

Knowledge Facilitation - Knowledge Facilitation - Ability to animate individuals and communities of contributors to participate and share, particularly externally.

Job Requirements:

Education:

• High School Diploma with certification in Engineering, Economics, Social Sciences, Urban Planning and Development, Civil or Architecture Engineering . Bachelor's degree in Engineering, Economics, Social Sciences, Urban Planning and Development, Civil or Architecture Engineering is desirable but is not a requirement.

Experience:

• Minimum of six (06) years with High School Diploma or three (03) years with Bachelor Degree/High Engineering Diploma of relevant experience in designing, managing and providing technical oversight to infrastructure projects.

Required skills

- Knowledge and familiarity with the region is a requirement
- Previous experience working at community level is required.
- Knowledge and experience of result-based management and project implementation.
- Good analytical skills and writing skills.
- Experience working in crisis or transition context.
- Knowledge and experience in the usage of computers and office software packages (MS Word, Excel, etc.), including working knowledge of spreadsheet and database packages
- Experience in the usage of construction and architecture software packages and web-based management systems

Desired skills in addition to the competencies covered in the Competencies section

- Experience from previous UN assignments and/or multilateral and bi-lateral aid organizations would be an asset.
- Experience in civil works contract management is an asset.

Required Language(s)

- Proficiency in English is required – both written and oral.
- Fluency in Dari and/or Pashto is required.

Submission Guideline:

Interested applicants can apply by clicking the link below or by copying and pasting the link into their browsers to access the application for the post.

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Applicant information about UNDP rosters

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Education & Experience

Must Have

Educational Requirements

Compensation & Other Benefits
