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Research Associate – Internship

West Africa Centre for Counter-Extremism (WACCE) is looking for a Research Associate for internship for a period of between 3 to 6 months in Accra. WACCE is an independent regional organization focused on security and counter-terrorism research and outreach in West Africa. WACCE's works are intended at uncovering the underpinnings of radicalization and violent extremism to serve as effective contribution to State and Regional counter terrorism policy and strategy. Our vision is to serve as the most credible and leading security research organization on West Africa.

Our approach to security is grounded in a Human Security framework that asserts that the ultimate goal and measure of security policy and strategy should be the safety, freedom, and dignity of individuals and communities involved. It prioritizes keeping individuals and communities safe, not only from terrorism but, also from the intended or unintended harmful consequences of counterterrorism measures and we evaluate security policies on the basis of protection of individuals rather than number of terrorists killed or apprehended.

This is a highly flexible role and the intern is expected to work providing security research on West Africa with support and coordination of the WACCE team. WACCE commits to provide guidance to the Research Associate in any ways practicable to effectively perform his/her role successfully.

Research Associate

The Research Associate is expected to contribute to enhance WACCE's research content, positively represent the organization and contribute in various ways to enhance its positive image globally. Primary responsibilities for this role include the following:

- Helping to provide content (security profile) on 15 all West African countries
- Support WACCE research team by gathering, reviewing and writing research reports intended for publication.
- Represent, develop and maintain professional relationships with other organizations in the Third Sector on behalf of WACCE.
- Attend seminars, forums and meetings on behalf of the organization as may be required.
- Help in performing administrative duties as a daily part of engagement.

The above duties are only indicative and may include other duties as and when they arise.

Person Specification

- This role is suitable for a recent graduate or graduate student who is already in an academic environment and will be interested in acquiring relevant knowledge and

experience relating to security in Africa. The intern should have primary knowledge of West Africa regarding security and demography.

- The ideal person must have at least a bachelor's degree in Security, Sociology, Peace and Conflict Resolution, International Relations, Journalism, Law, Human Rights and Criminal Justice, Diplomacy, Politics, International Development or related fields with at least one (1) year of work experience. In lieu of the above, candidates must be pursuing or have interest in international affairs, security, and Human Rights or related field.
- She/he is expected to be tactical and required to regard as confidential all research work, findings and information relating to WACCE unless otherwise stated.

Remuneration

This role is unpaid. However, WACCE shall provide adequate guidance and support necessary to ensure a convenient and exciting working experience and mutually valuable relationship.

Working Hours and Internship Duration

The intern is expected to work in Accra. He/she is expected to work with the supervision of an assigned WACCE staff and will be required to work a minimum of 40 hours a week.

This role is for an initial period of three (3) months and is renewable upon mutual agreement by both parties.

How to Apply

If you meet the above requirements, please send in your CV, Cover Letter and a writing sample of between 2-3 pages to info@wacce.org and copy mmmuqthar@wacce.org by Friday August 04, 2018. The writing sample could be a portion of any of your submitted essays, articles, published or unpublished works.