**Communications Consultant based in Rome, Italy** - **Open**  
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| Start Date: | **Oct 01, 2019** | Time Commitment: | **150 Day(s)** |
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| Topics: | **Topics not specified** |
| Business Functions: | **Communications, Marketing and Publishing** |
| Skills: | **Communications;Journalism;Data visualization;Writing;Editing** |
| Language Skills: | **English** |

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| Task Description: | **Communications Con sultant Short-Term Consultant (STC) Duty station #58; Rome, Italy The Living Standards Measurement Study The Living Standards Measurement Study (LSMS) is a household survey program housed within the Development Data Group (DECDG) of the World Bank that provides technical assistance to national statistical offices (NSO) in the design and implementation of multi-topic household surveys. Since its inception in the early 1980s, the LSMS program has worked with dozens of statistics offices around the world #58; generating high-quality data, incorporating innovative technologies and improved survey methodologies, and building technical capacity. Since 2009, the LSMS Team implements the Living Standards Measurement Study - Integrated Surveys on Agriculture (LSMS-ISA) project which collaborates with the national statistics offices of eight partner countries in Sub-Saharan Africa to design and implement systems of multi-topic, nationally representative panel household surveys with a strong focus on agriculture. Most recently, the LSMS launched '50x2030', a new joint initiative with the UN Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) and the International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD), which will be supporting 50 low- and lower-middle income countries (L/LMICs) across Africa, Asia, the Middle East, and Latin America by 2030 in scaling up household and farm survey programs to close gaps in data required for tracking the SDGs. The Initiative will scale up and build upon the experiences of FAO’s Agricultural Integrated Survey (AGRISurvey) Programme and the LSMS-ISA. The LSMS also coordinates the Center for Development Data (C4D2), a Rome-based hub for fostering methodological innovation and strengthening capacity in household surveys in low- and middle-income countries. General Description The World Bank’s LSMS team is seeking an experienced and dynamic communications professional to work closely with the LSMS research staff, to share knowledge and promote the results of the program and its joint initiatives with internal and external audiences. The Consultant will be responsible for C4D2-related communication activities, and contribute to LSMS-communications more broadly, working in coordination with and when relevant under the technical supervision of DECDG and LSMS communication staff based in Washington, DC. This person will be based in Rome, Italy, at the C4D2 office and will work under the direct supervision of a Senior Economist and the overall supervision of the LSMS Manager. Duties and Accountabilities The Communications Consultant is expected to develop a good understanding of LSMS activities and publications, and to undertake related communications work. Duties include, but are not limited to #58; (i) Web Management, Content Development, and Multimedia Production · Updating the LSMS website as appropriate, liaising with the Rome-based Web Designer and LSMS staff. · Writing C4D2- and LSMS-focused blog posts and soliciting guest blog posts from partners who use LSMS data. · Ensuring that presentations, deliverables and publications are created and disseminated in compliance with the World Bank and LSMS standard templates. · Managing the LSMS mailing list, and producing and disseminating the quarterly LSMS newsletter using Mailchimp. · Coordinating with the 50x2030 communication staff to ensure LSMS activities are reflected as relevant in 50x2030 communication channels. · Coordinating the revision, editing and production of publications and guidelines. · Liaising with the Graphic Designer for layout of publications and other promotional materials. · Maintaining and updating LSMS Facebook page. (ii) Research Support · Undertaking desk research for topics and inputs relevant to C4D2 and LSMS activities and publications. · Maintaining a database of LSMS publications, and others using LSMS data. (iii) Project and Relationship Management · Act as the communications focal point for the LSMS and C4D2 teams. · Supervise and coordinate external vendors and STCs as needed to accomplish communications objectives and have communications products and gadgets developed and delivered in a timely manner. · Work collaboratively with other members of the World Bank Development Data Group (DECDG) and broader Development Economics Vice Presidency (DEC) to ensure effective internal and external communication. (iv) Other Activities · Tracking and reporting on web and social media metrics using Google Analytics and other analytical tools. · Maintaining an inventory of publications and ensuring stocks of LSMS publications. · Assisting with C4D2 Training activities and events. Work closely with the Program Assistant to arrange transport to/from the venue, prepare delegate packs and promotional material, supervise and coordinate the activities of venue staff, caterers and vendors, oversee procurement of audiovisual equipment, and manage all communications activities leading up to, and following, the event. · Undertaking other LSMS, C4D2 and 50x2030 communications activities as needed. Selection Criteria · Master’s degree with 3 years of experience in communications, journalism, marketing or related field. · Interest and familiarity with international development issues and experience working with cross-functional teams. · Experience in developing and implementing communications strategies. · Demonstrated experience in effectively communicating around statistical issue and working with data visualizations an asset. · Strong command of English, with the ability to write and edit print and online products in a clear and concise manner. Fluency in Italian is a plus. · Understanding of visual communications principles and experience in creating multimedia content such as presentations, videos, social media cards, and infographics. · Knowledge of HTML or content management systems such as Drupal and WordPress. · Solid knowledge of communications approaches, tools and methodologies for planning, executing and monitoring communications strategies, such as Mailchimp and Google Analytics. · Experience in managing social media channels. · Database management experience. · Proficiency in Microsoft Office Suite (Excel, Word, PowerPoint and Outlook). · Event management/coordination experience. · Proven ability to work independently, and as part of a team with remote members in a multi‑cultural environment. · Good time-management skills and an eye for detail; ability to work effectively under stress and to juggle multiple tasks under tight deadlines. · High level of initiative, judgment, and decisiveness in accomplishing tasks. · Ability to proactively create solutions or responses to problems in an autonomous way. · Willingness to support occasional admin duties. Duration The selected candidate will be offered a Short-Term Consultancy contract of up to 150 days per Fiscal Year.** |