

### **About Us**

The Indian Institute for Human Settlements (IIHS) is a national education institution committed to the equitable, sustainable and efficient transformation of Indian settlements.

IIHS aims to establish an independently funded and managed national university of eminence for research and innovation focused on the challenges and opportunities of India's urban transition. The proposed IIHS University will host an integrated programme of quality campus-based education and research, training and lifelong learning for working professionals, distance and blended learning, as well as a whole array of practice and advisory services. The university will have a strong interdisciplinary orientation bringing together theory and praxis that is grounded in the South Asian context and also engages with and draws from knowledge across the globe.

For more information, please see http://www.iihs.co.in

#### **About SDSN**

Sustainable Development Solutions Network (SDSN) Association was set up in March 2014 as an independent 501 3 (c) organization to support the UN Sustainable Development Solutions Network (SDSN), which has been operating since 2012 under the auspices of the Secretary-General of the United Nations. The SDSN mobilizes research, academia, the private sector and civil society to promote the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and implement the Paris Climate Agreement. The SDSN secretariat has offices in New York and Paris hosted by SDSN Association and SDSN Association Paris, respectively. The SDG Academy is the online education initiative of SDSN.

The SDSN has partnered with IIHS to promote sustainable development and support the achievement of the SDGs.

For more information, please see www.unsdsn.org

### **Job Description**

The position Consultant- Research will be housed in the SDSN Project at IIHS. The role will work directly with the SDSN Team leader and will constitute of the following responsibilities:

- Drafting of key policy and academic documents on the SDGs;
- Analysis of data and trends focusing on SDG achievement across the world, and amongst Indian states;
- Coordination and backstopping of cross-institutional research projects on SDG related matters;
- Analysis and reporting on the role of ICT in achieving the SDGs, focusing on the role of technology in education, health and other social outcomes;
- Costing, budget and financing analysis on the SDGs;
- Support to the broader SDSN research portfolio as needed;
- Coordination/communication/other support to the team leader as needed;
- Policy briefs and newsletters for internal and external circulation;

Any other tasks and responsibilities as required by the SDSN Project.

### **Structure and Reporting**

The Consultant will report to the Team leader, SDSN Project.

## **Person Specification**

Applicants should hold at least a Master's degree a relevant field (economics, development, environment studies, education, anthropology, sociology, among others). Strong quantitative skills are a must. The Applicant must be proficient in MS Office; knowledge of statistical packages like STATA is preferred. High fluency in written and spoken English is a must; knowledge of one other Indian language is essential; comfort in one of the UN official languages is desirable.

This offer is on an exclusive basis, which implies that other professional assignments (whether compensated or not) that bear a potential conflict of interest with IIHS cannot be undertaken.

This is a paid contractual position with a competitive salary, periodically renewable based on project requirements. The search will remain open until the position is filled.

#### Location

This position is located in Delhi.

#### **Review and Assessment**

The role and performance of the incumbent shall be subject to normal review and assessment systems at IIHS.

## **Diversity Policy**

IIHS is an equal opportunity employer that encourages women, people with disabilities and those from economically and socially excluded communities with the requisite skills and qualifications to apply for positions.

#### Contact

The last day for applications is <u>June 25, 2017</u>. Please email an updated resume, along with a cover letter addressing how you meet the above requirements and writing sample (policy brief of 300-500 words), to <u>sdsn@iihs.ac.in</u> (*Subject: Consultant - Research (SDSN Project)*.





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