



Backbone Coordination Team Lead, South Sudan Monitoring and Evaluation Support Project (MESP), South Sudan

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Project Summary:

The Monitoring and Evaluation Support Project (MESP) provides USAID/South Sudan with flexible and demand-driven technical, analytic, advisory, training, monitoring, evaluation, and related support services for performance measurement. The project includes monitoring and evaluation technical support to the Mission for performance management at all levels as well as support to assessments, analytical research, and related services required for new project designs, sector strategies, and broader strategic revisions.

****Please note: Only people authorized to work in South Sudan are eligible for this position****

Position Summary:

The Backbone Coordination (BC) Team Lead will provide overall technical support to USAID/South Sudan to analyze, identify and promote opportunities for IP collocation and convergence in program planning and delivery amongst the Mission's flagship IPs. S/he will hold consultations with the flagship IPs to assess how USAID/South Sudan's activities can be collocated for optimal layering and convergence of impact. The role requires deep understanding of the dynamic context and challenges faced by IPs in South Sudan and ability to engage in policy dialogue and program design and work planning with stakeholders. This is a Short-Term Technical Assistance (STTA) position based in Juba, South Sudan.

Responsibilities:

- Facilitate a co-design meeting with the Program Office (PRO) to define the approach for developing a coordination strategy amongst IPs and agree on the work plan to operationalize this process.
- Initiate meetings with each of the flagship IPs to introduce MESP and explain its role in supporting the Mission's convergence process.
- Conduct a systematic desk review to analyze Implementing Partners' (IP) SOWs, work plans and learning plans to identify potential opportunities for co-location, convergence and layering, and areas of possible duplication.





- Conduct activity geo-mapping for USAID and IPs to visualize where activities are taking place.
- Validate the potential opportunities of technical collaboration to ensure practical and effective layering of activities
- Oversee the development of collaborative and coherent work-planning and implementation approaches by the IPs to maximize efficiencies and avoid duplication.
- Provide technical assistance to IPs to ensure incorporation and adaptation of lessons learned from the convergence planning process into their activity plans going forward.
- Prepare a final report assessing the effectiveness of the IP convergence planning process, identifying areas of success and those requiring improvements and make recommendations for ongoing convergence planning and monitoring.

Qualifications:

- Graduate degree in program management, international development, or related field is required
- At least 5 years of experience in managing and implementing development project in South Sudan required.
- Demonstrable understanding of the South Sudanese social, cultural political and economic landscape.
- Previous experience working with USAID or other donor-funded projects preferred.
- Excellent written and verbal communication skills.
- Fluency in English is required, and fluency one or more local languages is preferred.
- Excellent critical thinking and analytical skills, including exceptional attention to detail.
- Excellent team player with ability to meet tight deadlines.

Reasonable Accommodations: MSI is dedicated to hiring an inclusive workforce. If you would like to request reasonable accommodations during the application process, please email MSI.Dept.HRRecruiting@tetrattechinc.onmicrosoft.com with "Reasonable Accommodations" in the title. Our recruitment team looks forward to engaging in an interactive process to provide reasonable accommodations for candidates.

Only candidates who have been selected for an interview will be contacted. No phone calls, please.

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Closing Date: July 15th, 2021, at 4:00PM

Applications will be reviewed on a rolling basis until the position is filled.

To apply: Please visit our website, www.msiworldwide.com; or hand deliver your cover letter and CV and addressing your application to the MSI-MESP Human Resources Manager, Goshen House, Gate 1

