

RESEARCHERS

LIRNE asia is a policy and regulation research and capacity building organization based in Colombo but working across the Asia-Pacific. LIRNE asia generates and disseminates actionable research for improving the lives of people in the Asia-pacific by facilitating their use of ICTs and related infrastructure. Current focus is on improving access to ICTs and facilitating the use of these technologies for exchanging information and knowledge within and across communities.

Our outputs include technical reports, policy briefs, and scholarly papers. Our primary audience consists of governments (including bilateral and multilateral donor agencies), companies within and outside the Asia-Pacific, media and civil society. We reach out to our audience through an active Web presence, workshops, training courses, and conferences, formal and informal meetings, consulting, advocacy, and news conferences and news releases.

Currently we have openings for four researchers.

SENIOR RESEARCHER

Take responsibility for all or some of the conceptual, analytical and management tasks in one or more projects at LIRNE asia, with the support of one or more junior researchers. Assist with or take the lead in the writing of research proposals or business plans to generate additional funds.

Qualifications, experience and attitude:

The applicant should:

- Have a good academic record in a numerate discipline that can be supported by output not limited to GPA and exam results. Postgraduate work in an internationally recognized university is a distinct advantage. Gaps in academic performance may be compensated by evidence of experience and attitude.
- Be experienced in consulting or research in economics, sociology, public policy, or law or other policy-relevant field
- Have well developed and proven English writing and quantitative skills. Must be demonstrable through written work that can be examined.
- Enjoy exploring and applying new information and communication technologies
- Be able to work with others at LIRNEasia to promote the organization mission of improving the lives of people in the Asia-pacific by facilitating their use of ICTs and related infrastructure
- Be ready to work on equal terms with the best in the world

JUNIOR RESEARCHER

Work under the guidance of a senior researcher while developing the capacity to take on increasing levels of responsibility.

Qualifications, experience and attitude

The applicant should have:

- A Bachelors degree or equivalent (final year students may apply)
- Good ICT skills (spreadsheets, databases, and Internet)
- Good analytical skills and English writing skills
- A can-do attitude and eagerness to learn new things

LIRNEasia offers a stimulating, flexible and supportive work environment with

- Opportunities to work alongside high-caliber colleagues
- Output and performance based reward system
- Support for career progression with training, coaching and developing areas of expertise
- International exposure from working on multi-country projects
- Competitive remuneration package that includes medical and accident benefits.

Please submit a detailed CV, phone/email contacts of two references who can speak to relevant experience/abilities and a sample of research-related writing (less than 10 pages) to the following email: hr@lirne.net by August 24, 2007. Applications can also be mailed to Human Resources, LIRNEasia, 12 Balcombe Place, Colombo 8. Clearly indicate the position for which you are applying.

Results of the screening (positive or negative) will be notified if an e-mail address is provided.

For more information about the organization, please see www.lirneasia.net