

JOB DESCRIPTION

POSITION: Senior Climate Reporter

LOCATION: Remote

STATUS: Full time (40 hours per week)

SALARY: Based on experience

START DATE: Immediate

OVERVIEW:

The China Global South Project (CGSP) is an independent, non-partisan, non-profit digital media initiative dedicated to exploring every facet of China's engagement in Africa and throughout the Global South. CGSP produces daily and weekly editorial content that is distributed across multiple channels to a wide cross-section of high-level international stakeholders focused on the detailed mapping of Chinese global expansion and engagement. This readership includes policymakers, diplomats, journalists, scholars, and students. CGSP currently has staff based in Asia, Africa and the Middle East.

ROLE:

The China Global South Project is looking for an experienced climate reporter to join its growing editorial team. The ideal for this role has a solid background in journalism and digital media production at an online news outlet. They should have a proven track record writing about climate, sustainability and environmental issues in Africa.

RESPONSIBILITIES: This is a very dynamic position that requires a mix of skills and provides lots of opportunities for growth and development:

CONTENT CREATION:

- Showcase African thought leadership, innovation, and entrepreneurialism related to the climate crisis by creating compelling editorial content in the form of articles, Q&A, and multimedia content.
- Commission columns and other research from African subject matter experts on climate, energy, sustainability, environment, and resources.
- Create content (articles, videos, etc.) that showcase climate issues/solutions in other developing regions to foster South-South exchanges.
- Conduct research/outreach with African media outlets to secure content distribution for the relevant climate projects.

PROJECT MANAGEMENT:

- Provide overall project coordination among three separate grant-funded climate initiatives.
- Liaise with funders/partners and draft reports when needed.
- Coordinate internal resources and third parties/vendors for the flawless execution of multiple projects.



- Coordinate content delivery, payment, and publication schedule for content creators who contribute to this initiative.
- Perform other related duties as assigned.

SKILLS:

- Digital journalism experience is required, preferably in an online news organization.
- Basic knowledge of multimedia software applications including Adobe Photoshop, iMovie, or other video editing programs and online tools like Canva.
- In-depth knowledge of all issues related to global climate change, specifically the impact on African populations and ecosystems.
- Project management experience is preferred but not required. Must be comfortable, however, working with simple budgets, schedules, and project plans.
- Must have a keen understanding of African social media trends and how to create/distribute to reach young audiences across the continent.
- Experience conducting online research, specifically using social media channels.
- Knowledge of French is preferred but not required.

REQUIREMENTS:

- At least 5 years of journalism experience is required.
- Must have a college degree (all majors welcome, but economics/development/international relations preferred)
- Must be available to work eight hours per day, preferably at the same time each day.
- Ability to work independently in a remote office environment with co-workers across several time zones.
- Ability to comfortably use digital collaboration tools including WhatsApp, Dropbox, and Zoom.
- Excellent English-language writing skills and the ability to copy-edit in English.
- Must be able to write fast, handle pressure and work under tight deadlines.
- Must be willing to proactively expand their own skill set and quickly immerse themselves in new fields of knowledge and expertise.

To be considered for this position, please submit the following materials to Editor in Chief Eric Olander: eric@chinaafricaproject.com.

- Cover letter explaining why you are the ideal person for this position.
- Resume
- Links to three writing samples that have been published within the past 12 months.

Prospective candidates will be required to take a timed writing test.

African candidates are preferred.

Women are strongly encouraged to apply.

The China Global South Project is an equal opportunity employer.