**CALL FOR PROPOSALS**

**Researchers for:**
Asia-Europe Foundation (ASEF)
Public Health Network Research Project:
Monitoring and Evaluation for Evidence-Based
Risk Communication during the Covid-19 Pandemic

**Background Information**
As part of the ASEM Initiative for the Rapid Containment of Pandemic Influenza, ASEF Public Health Network (ASEF PHN) has been working on Risk Communication for Public Health Emergencies (PHEs) to build capacity for ASEM Partners’ pandemic preparedness and response since 2013. Between 2017 to 2019, ASEF PHN implemented a series of High-level Meetings focusing on Risk Communication & Leadership (2017), How Can We Include Migrants & Ethnic Minorities (2018), and Risk Communication Beyond the Country Borders (2019) for effective risk communication during PHEs. In 2020, the world, including Asia and Europe, experienced the pandemic of the novel-coronavirus disease (COVID-19), and risk communication was exercised in a real public health emergency. Therefore, the Network will conduct a research project with a focus on Monitoring and Evaluation for Risk Communication during the COVID-19 pandemic.

ASEF PHN together with the local researchers in Korea and Viet Nam conducted data collection based on online survey format in November – December 2021 (refer to the annex 1). The data collection was done in national languages, and then it has been translated into English.

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ASEF PHN is seeking individuals to undertake the role of researchers for data analysis and write up of the research project mentioned above.

- **Role**: Researcher/s for the data analysis and write up
- **Location**: Home-based in ASEM Partner’s countries
- **Time Frame**: April – May 2021 (tbc)

The expectations for this role are:
- Collaborate with ASEF PHN in taking a lead role in analysing the collected data (24 samples from Korea and 30 samples from Viet Nam);
- Selection of the relevant academic journal to submit the outcome; and
- Prepare the draft article for the selected journal using the analysed data from above 2 mentioned as well as the one from France (already analysed)

The outcome of the research is to be submitted to an academic journal before the end of June 2021. For more details of the scope of the research, please refer to the website.

**Candidate Requirements**
- Citizens of an ASEM Partners’ countries
- Experience in qualitative research, preferably related to risk communication for public health emergencies
- Proven track record of article submission to professional/academic journals
- Graduate qualifications in public health

**Applications & Contact Details**
Interested individuals should send a draft proposal including brief information about the methodology to implement the activities (maximum 5 pages; please refer to the application form, which includes financial proposal), together with the CV and accompanying cover letter demonstrating suitability.

Applications should be emailed to Ms Riko KIMOTO, Project Manager for ASEF Public Health Network (riko.kimoto@asef.org) by Saturday 20 March 2021, 23h59 (Singapore time). Please direct your inquiries to Riko.