

Vacancy - Communications Officer/ Coordinator

Title: COMMUNICATIONS OFFICER/ Coordinator

Status: Full time

Location: Prishtina – Kosovo

Reporting to: Executive Director and Project Manager

PURPOSE

Balkans Group is looking for an outstanding communicator with a strong understanding of the political and policy environment in Kosovo and the region to lead on the communication activities of the organization.

RESPONSIBILITIES

Under the supervision of the Executive Director and responsible Project Manager, he/she:

- Formulates key messages related to Balkans Group programs, projects and activities for dissemination through media, online social networks, BPRG website etc.;
- Fosters communication with project partners and donors;
- Delivers the BPRG communication objectives for projects and activities, and ensures their visibility;
- Develops BPRG communication strategy in cooperation with other members of staff, and ensures its implementation;
- Produces short videos covering highlights of BPRG's events and activities, interviews with experts and public figures etc.;
- Acts as a contact point for staff blogs, public enquiries and media relations;
- Prepares quarterly Newsletters.

REQUIREMENTS

The successful candidate will have:

- University degree in a relevant discipline (journalism, media, management, political science etc.);
- A minimum of two years of experience in communications, journalism or media, ideally experience in designing and implementing communication and visibility strategy;
- Outstanding writing and research skills about policy matters in Kosovo and the region;
- Ability to pick up complex issues quickly and communicate them simply and effectively, tailoring the style to the relevant audience;



- Ability to understand audience needs and preferences and identify proactive and innovative ways to increase public awareness;
- Ability work on own initiative as well as being a strong and flexible team player;
- Work under pressure, respond to the unexpected, and deliver to tight deadlines;
- Fluency in English and Albanian, knowledge of Serbian is considered an advantage;
- Knowledge of basic video production techniques;
- Good IT skills, with experience of Word, Excel and social media;
- Ability to establish and maintain effective working relations with people of different national, ethnic and cultural backgrounds.

HOW TO APPLY

Interested candidates should send a cover letter (in English), CV, three short writing samples (in English), and contact details of three references. Successful candidates will be invited for an interview.

Applications with 'Communications Officer/ Coordinator' in the email subject shall be emailed to: office@balkansgroup.org