

Job Announcement

POSITION TITLE: Project Manager

PROGRAM: State Authority Project

QUALIFICATIONS: Master's in Economics, Social Sciences; Strong Econometric skills will be preferred

START DATE: As Soon As Possible

MIMIMUM COMMITMENT: 12 Months (24 Months is Preferable)

POSTING DATE: 1 August 2019

LOCATION: 29-P, Gulberg II, Lahore

About CERP

The Centre for Economic Research in Pakistan, or CERP, is a leading independent nonpartisan policy institution focused on improving decision making in Pakistan through evidence-informed research, engaging with policy counterparts with real policy challenges and designing and advising on high impact reforms based on data. At CERP, we also deploy cutting edge pedagogy tailored for Pakistan and provide data insights to the private sector on product and process design.

Program Description

The Governance Project is an exciting study of citizens' interaction with state services, the reasons for changes or lack thereof in perceptions based on interventions initiated by the project team, and the potential policy implications of changes in allegiance from non-state to state actors. The aim of the project is to design, pilot, and implement various interventions which facilitate data collection on citizens' perceptions and change in behaviour.

Phase 1 of the project completed its roll-out by conducting surveys and field experiments in rural villages of Sargodha District in Punjab. The roll-out involved the completion of over 2000 surveys which was completed in October 2015, and has been subsequently drafted into a paper.

Phase 2 of the project will involve designing new exposure treatments/interventions to measure take up of police and related services over a period of time for citizens experiencing some form of dispute or crime. The treatments will vary from information only, to possible assistance with navigating the criminal justice system. Through Phase 1 of the project, we have identified dispute resolution as a service where non-state actors are playing increasingly important roles and pose direct challenges to state authority. This has helped us develop specific "exposure treatments" pertinent to dispute resolution, establish partnerships with relevant players, and identify individuals at initial stages of a dispute, thus allowing us to measure the impact of the interventions on actual engagement in addition to survey and experimental outcomes.

The Principle Investigators of the project are Dr. Asim Ijaz Khwaja (Harvard Kennedy School), Dr. Ali Cheema (IDEAS), Dr. Daron Acemoglu (MIT), and Dr. James Robinson (University of Chicago) To find out more about the Governance Project, click [here](#).

Position Description

Since the role is highly impactful and derives from CERP's vision, the applicants should demonstrate the ability to support leadership strategically.

Your tasks will include:

- a. Coordinating between the research team and the stakeholders, including the Punjab Police, by building and managing strong relationships with local partners
- b. Assisting in the design and development of the RCT interventions through field visits, market research and data analysis
- c. Overseeing the piloting of survey and intervention design
- d. Gathering and processing data from the police and field
- e. Working with in-house teams and/or survey company to design, administer and oversee surveys and intervention roll-outs
- f. Managing data under the project. This includes organization of files and cleaning data for use in analysis
- g. Overseeing analysis of data, and assisting in writing of proposals and reports for grant-making bodies
- h. Regular reporting to researchers in Pakistan and the US, as required
- i. Represent the project and team at stakeholder meetings
- j. Organize and lead project calls with local and international PIs and research team members
- k. Structure and organize project activities and documentation
- l. Manage and oversee the work of the Research Assistant/Associate, with specific activities including:
 - i. Assigning tasks and monitoring performance
 - ii. Supporting and reviewing the RA's technical work as needed
 - iii. Planning, implementing and documenting project activities
- m. Other duties as assigned by the Principal Investigators

Salary:

Salary figure will be commensurate with experience and qualifications and will be market competitive.

How to Apply

Please follow the instructions below. Any applications or CVs submitted outside this process will not be considered. Only successful candidates will be contacted

Interested candidates should:

1. Fill out the [online form found here](#)
2. Send an email to careers@cerp.org.pk with the subject "**Research Team- SAP**".
Please include your cover letter, CV, and transcripts