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**(Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia)**

## **VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT**

### **Postdoctoral Fellowship Programme**

**Organizational Unit** : United Nations University - International Institute for Global Health (UNU-IIGH)

**Reference Number** : 2019/UNU/IIGH/PSA/PFP/13

**Applications to** : [iigh-info@unu.edu](mailto:iigh-info@unu.edu)

**Closing Date** : 31 March 2019

#### **United Nations University Objectives**

The United Nations University (UNU) is an international community of scholars engaged in research, capacity development and dissemination of knowledge in furthering the purposes and principles of the Charter of the United Nations. The mission of UNU is to contribute, through research and capacity building, to efforts to resolve the pressing global problems that are the concern of the United Nations and its Member States. For more information, please visit <http://unu.edu>.

#### **United Nations University – International Institute for Global Health (UNU-IIGH)**

UNU-IIGH is one of 14 research and training centres that comprise the think tanks in the UNU system. UNU-IIGH was established in 2005 with the mission to advance evidence-based policy on key issues related to sustainable development and global health. As a member of the UN family, UNU-IIGH brings. It aims to support the work of UN agencies, UN programmes and Member states towards the achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals, with an interdisciplinary and intersectoral approach to problem-solving. UNU-IIGH is focusing its efforts and resources on generating policy-relevant analysis to improve global health.

The Postdoctoral Fellowship programme at UNU-IIGH aims to provide an opportunity for candidates who have recently graduated with a PhD to expand their career beyond their scientific disciplines. UNU-IIGH offers an excellent multicultural environment for recent PhD graduates to interact with scholars from different countries and diverse academic backgrounds.

To that end, we are looking for post-doctoral researchers who will work with UNU-IIGH research fellows, UN partners and relevant stakeholders on interdisciplinary research programmes in global public health that seek to reduce the impact of marginalization on health and access to health care. Critical considerations are intersections of gender, age and migration; the role of universal health coverage; global health governance; intersectoral approaches; accountability and human rights.

The Fellowship is open to candidates who demonstrate that they can contribute to the ongoing research and policy translation projects in the Institute. It offers a 12-month residency with monthly stipends for the duration of the fellowship, which can be extended for an additional 12-month period, subject to satisfactory performance.

During the fellowship, the fellow will make use of the UNU-IIGH facilities in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia to: (i) work on projects assigned by the host research fellow, and (ii) participate in other academic activities of the institute, including regular in-house discussions and seminars.

For more information contact [azlinda@unu.edu](mailto:azlinda@unu.edu).

### **Eligibility**

Applicants must have finished a PhD in public health or a related area, no longer than 5 years preceding the start of the fellowship. Language proficiency in English is essential. Professional experience in public health research, policy or programming is desirable. Applicants from developing countries and women are particularly encouraged to apply.

### **Application process**

Information about how to apply is provided below – please read carefully to ensure that any further inquiries relate to information not already provided. We recommend that applicants review the information on [how to apply for jobs with the UN](#) to assist with the submission of a competitive application.

Applications for 2019 fellowships are now open. The deadline for application is 4.00pm (Malaysian local time time) on 31 March 2019.

Applicants are requested to download and complete the UNU P-11 form available from [here](#). Please quote Reference number 2019/UNU/IIGH/PSA/PFP/13 and state UNU-IIGH *Postdoctoral Fellowship 2019* in the section ‘What post are you applying for?’

Interested applicants should submit their applications online using [iigh-info@unu.edu](mailto:iigh-info@unu.edu) and must upload the following:

1. completed and signed UNU P-11 form;
2. cover letter outlining your interests and motivation to work at UNU-IIGH;
3. an abstract of your current PhD research/dissertation;
4. a sample of your recent publication (in English)
5. 2 references to support your application, one must come from one of your PhD supervisors
6. scanned copy of your passport details page

Please state *Postdoctoral Fellowship 2019* with *your name* clearly stated in the subject of the email. Note that only completed applications received by the deadline will be considered. We will acknowledge receipt of your application via email.