

Position Announcement: Consulting Scientist–India

The Health Effects Institute (HEI) seeks a strong candidate with expertise in air pollution exposure assessment, environmental health, epidemiology, or related fields to join our growing global health program. For 40 years, HEI has been a source of high-quality, impartial, and relevant science on the health effects of air pollution. The successful candidate will work closely with HEI’s scientific staff as well as partners including the [All-India Institute of Medical Sciences](#) (AIIMS), Indian Institute of Technology Delhi, and others. The position will be based in India.

HEI’s global work for the last 15 years has focused on Asia and Europe, and has included capacity development through air pollution health effects research and high-level training workshops for scientists and policy makers, among other activities. Current opportunities include contributing to and building on HEI’s new collaboration with AIIMS in India to establish a new network of researchers. The Collaborative on Air Pollution and Health Effects Research (CAPHER)–India will bring together teams of researchers from various scientific disciplines including atmospheric chemistry, air pollution measurement and modeling, epidemiology, biostatistics, medicine, basic sciences, and health policy. The successful candidate will work with HEI, AIIMS, and other network partners on establishing and expanding the CAPHER network; these activities include managing the secretariat and helping to organize meetings, training, and workshops to support the objectives of the network. The successful candidate will also have an opportunity to work with HEI’s Global Health Oversight Committee and HEI staff to develop requests for research applications, to review applications, and to oversee and evaluate funded research projects. HEI also offers opportunities to contribute to a broad range of HEI activities aimed at communicating the effects of air pollution on human health and advancing the goals of clean air in countries around the world. The successful candidate may also participate in the preparation of comprehensive and authoritative reviews of important areas in air pollution research. They will also represent HEI at professional and other meetings, both in India and internationally, as needed.

Qualifications for this position are:

- M.S., Ph.D., or equivalent degree in a discipline relevant to air pollution, environmental health, and policy (e.g., environmental health, air pollution, or epidemiology); experience in project management preferred.
- Minimum of 2-5 years of experience beyond the final degree in related work experience.
- Strong interpersonal skills; ability to work in a multicultural environment.
- A self-starter, able to work independently or within collaborative teams, across multiple projects.
- Excellent written and oral science communication skills; fluency in Hindi and English; other Indian languages are a plus.

HEI offers competitive salaries commensurate with skills and experience. Interested applicants should submit a letter (including salary expectations), curriculum vitae, and two or three samples of independent writing as soon as possible. Review of applications will begin **December 10, 2020**, and the successful candidate could begin work for HEI as soon as January 2021; however, the position will be open until a suitable candidate is found.

Please send your materials to:

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Please include “Consulting Scientist-India” in the subject line.

About HEI

HEI is a nonprofit institution chartered in 1980 as an independent research organization to provide high-quality, impartial, and relevant science on the health effects of air pollution. Typically, HEI receives half of its core funds from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and half from the worldwide motor vehicle industry. Other public and private organizations periodically support special projects and research programs. HEI has contributed extensively to the scientific understanding of the health effects of particulate matter and other air pollutants. For more details about HEI including its publications, please go to our website, <http://www.healtheffects.org/about>.