

International Science and Evidence based Education Assessment (ISEEA) Fellows Call for Applications

Title:	ISEEA Fellow
Domain:	Education
Organizational Unit:	Mahatma Gandhi Institute of Education for Peace and Sustainable Development
Duty Station:	Remote working/ Work from home
Terms of the Awards:	A monthly stipend of USD 2,500
Duration:	11 months (June 2020 – May 2021)
Deadline (midnight, Delhi time):	31 May 2020
Application to be sent to:	mgiep.recruitment@unesco.org (Please send CV, Cover Letter, and Recommendation Letter, indicating "ISEEA Fellow" in the subject line. There is no form to be filled out.)

OVERVIEW OF THE FUNCTION

I. Background

The ISEEA Fellows Programme provides talented young academics with the opportunity to work closely with the multi-disciplinary teams of experts and academics convened by UNESCO MGIEP to conduct the ISEEA, which will contribute to UNESCO's Futures of Education initiative. The ISEEA Fellows will support the overall work of the assigned Working Group of the ISEEA and gain practical training and relevant experience in international large-scale assessment of education and learning systems. A potential ISEEA Fellow is a person who has just completed PhD in a relevant field and has worked in interdisciplinary teams focusing on education or has keen interest in working in such teams to impact education policy and practice at all levels.

II. Terms of Reference

Under the overall guidance of the Director of UNESCO MGIEP and the direct supervision of the assigned Working Group Co-Chair(s), the ISEEA Fellow will support the work of the assigned Working Group of the ISEEA. More specifically, the ISEEA Fellow will:

- 1. Search for, identify, review, synthesize and analyze relevant literature in close consultation with the Working Group Co-Chair(s);
- 2. Prepare and update where necessary the data and information used in chapters in the assigned Working Group;
- 3. Contribute to drafting sections of assigned chapters;
- 4. Compile comprehensive bibliography of assigned chapters; and
- 5. Perform other tasks as required.

UNESCO DOES NOT CHARGE A FEE AT ANY STAGE OF THE RECRUITMENT PROCESS.

HOW TO APPLY

Eligibility

Applicants must hold a doctoral degree, which was obtained within the past 5 years or is expected be obtained before becoming an ISEEA Fellow. This is a <u>full-time</u>, <u>work-from-home</u>, <u>postdoctoral position</u> reserved for highly motivated and talented junior academics interested in international, interdisciplinary science-policy work to impact the post-2030 global education agenda. The ISEEA fellow therefore cannot take other paid assignments without prior written permission from UNESCO MGIEP.

Submission of application

Interested and eligible candidates are invited to submit applications to MGIEP no later than 31 May 2020.

Please submit to mgiep.recruitment@unesco.org the following three documents:

- (1) a detailed CV;
- (2) a Cover Letter including (i) a brief explanation of how your qualifications and research interest meet the requirements and objective of the ISEEA Fellows Programme and (ii) reasons for applying and how your would contribute to the ISEEA;
- (3) a Recommendation Letter written by a doctoral supervisor; and
- (4) (Optional) a Recommendation Letter written by one (or more) of the Working Group Co-Chairs or Coordinating Lead Authors (CLAs) of the ISEEA if (3) is given by academics currently not involved in ISEEA.

Review of applications and selection of candidates

Review of applications by MGIEP will begin immediately after the application deadline.

MGIEP selects ISEEA fellows based on the following criteria:

- the openness and genuine interest in engaging in interdisciplinary work on education in multi-cultural and international contexts;
- the responsiveness and flexibility to meet the demands of Working Group Co-Chairs to ensure that the expected outcomes are met within the timeframe of the ISEEA;
- the relevance of the applicant's past research and publication records to the ISEEA; and
- the applicant's academic merit and the potential for successful contribution to the ISEEA as demonstrated by the Recommendation Letter(s).

MGIEP will try to inform successful candidates of the results of the application by mid-June 2020.

Please note that only pre-selected candidates will be contacted.

Languages:

English is the working language of the ISEEA. Knowledge of other UN official languages is an advantage.