

Introduction

The Global Campaign for Education (GCE) founded in 1999, is a global civil society movement working to end the education crisis. GCE members bring together civil society organisations, NGOs, teacher unions, child rights activists, parents' associations, young people and community organisations who work together in coalition in nearly 100 countries. GCE promotes education as a basic human right, mobilises the public to put pressure on governments and the international community to fulfil their promises to provide free, compulsory, high quality public education for all.

The Global Campaign for Education (GCE) is seeking to recruit for the following position:

RE-ADVERTISEMENT: NETWORKS ENGAGEMENT AND LEARNING MANAGER

The Global Campaign for Education (GCE) is seeking to recruit for a Networks Engagement and Learning Manager on an initial 12-month contract, with a renewal assuming continued grant funding.

Job purpose: The purpose of this role is to manage the networking, capacity building and shared learning opportunities provided to the GCE National Coalition members through the Secretariat. It will also facilitate the building of strong networks and partnerships within the GCE membership to strengthen the advocacy impact of our members, and help achieve Education 2030 objectives. This role will particularly be focused on leading the networking, engagement and learning for coalitions supported and benefiting from the Civil Society Education Fund (CSEF) programme. This role manages all the learning aspects of the CSEF.

Location: Johannesburg, SA or London, UK or any other country where GCE coalitions are in operation

Salary Range: Competitive

Duties and Responsibilities:

Network Mapping and Coordination:

- Act as primary contact point for CSEF International Partners Group (IPG) and maintain a mapping of INGO activities in Southern countries and related campaigns (focus issues, focus countries, in-country staff, etc).
- Maintaining an overview of the number and health of the GCE national member coalitions, with a focus on the CSEF supported coalitions.
- Develop, manages and coordinate plan for facilitating capacity building links between CSEF supported coalitions & INGOs/ other GCE members.
- Act as the strategic lead for the development and oversee the delivery of effective and high-quality membership services so that new and existing of national GCE members understand their roles and responsibilities, membership benefits and how to ask for advice, help and support.
- To lead on supporting GCE national members and especially those benefiting from the CSEF with information and resources for the development of effective and better coordinated networks.

Promoting Shared Learning:

- Develop and manage the GCE and CSEF NEC's shared learning strategy
- Lead the development and oversee delivery of programmes that manage risks and quality assurances of GCE national members, especially those supported by CSEF so that they are sustainable organisations with strong leadership and governance.
- Lead the development and oversee delivery of an organisational learning to GCE national members, especially those supported by the CSEF so that their capabilities are increased. This will include overseeing the delivery of a range of learning, development, information and training resources as well as opportunities for GCE membership.

- Facilitate cross-national and cross-regional knowledge exchanges and learning within GCE with special focus on the CSEF countries.
- Proactively monitoring the implementation of the CSEF programmes and other GCE programmes to identify 'good practices' as well as challenges for wider sharing and learning.
- Identify learning areas/needs of GCE members/CSEF countries; develop learning materials, toolkits and handbooks especially focusing on CSEF in collaboration with relevant GCE staff.
- Proactively monitor the external environment to identify emerging issues, trends and developments as well as opportunities for information, training and other resources for the use of GCE members.

Capacity support and Communication

- Develop and manage GCE members and CSEF NEC's capacity building plans aimed at bridging their capacity need and gaps.
- Lead the development of a framework for standardising tool and checklists for Regional secretariat, Regional Finance Management Agencies (RFMAs) and National Education Coalitions (NECs) monitoring visits.
- Oversee and lead the documentation of CSEF achievement publications, case studies and other communication materials, with support from Networks Engagement Coordinator and other GCE/CSEF staff.
- Ensure the CSEF's contributions to the GCE Newsletter by supporting the Networks Engagement Coordinator and CSEF Programme Officer to generate the materials.
- Oversee the quality control and production of the CSEF bi-monthly blogs by supporting the Networks Engagement Coordinator and GCE Communication team, ensuring active involvement of and engagement with national and regional CSEF partners.
- Coordinate and manage trainings and learning events and support/contribute to GCE partner's events.
- Carry out capacity missions to partner organisations/countries to support capacity strengthening, dialogue and evidence gathering.
- Manage the engagement with the CSEF International Partners Group (IPG) and plan capacity building links among CSEF countries and between them and INGO/partners.
- Oversee the mapping of INGOs activities in southern countries and related campaigns to identify opportunities for capacity building and learning.

GPE CSO 2 Constituency engagement:

- Lead the dialogue, engagement and oversee the communication within the GPE Board CSO2 constituency.
- Manage the engagement and oversee the communication between the CSO2 and CSO1 representatives in the GPE Board committees and the GCE as well as their respective constituency.
- Lead on managing GPE Board CSO2 constituency meetings and support their representative's participation in GPE Board meetings.
- Manage GPE Board CSO1 and CSO2 election processes.
- Support NECs and Regional Networks to plan and budget for the CSO 2 constituency engagement with GPE.
- Manage the preparation of the Board papers for the CSO2 constituency representatives in the GPE Board.

Staff Management and Team engagement

- Supervise and line manage the Networks Engagement Coordinator.
- Contribute to strategic discussions and annual planning with other GCE Staff and participate in regular GCE Secretariat meetings.
- Provide inputs to and support the servicing of the GCE Board meetings as and when necessary.
- Contribute to the development of project proposal development, especially the CSEF.
- Represent GCE in relevant meetings, events and teleconferences

Key Competencies:

Essential

- A commitment to GCE's core values, principles and mission to promote the right to education.
- Masters' degree in education, educational policy, Social sciences or sociology, development studies, or associated fields with a strong background of education.
- At least 5 years' relevant experience of which at least three years has been on issues related to education.
- Extensive experience of working with education activists and advocates from Africa, Asia, Pacific, the Americas and the Caribbean and/or the Middle East.
- An understanding of grassroots civil society activism, especially networks and the ability to motivate and engage staff and individuals from diverse coalition member organizations.
- Cultural sensitivity, ability to work with colleagues in different locations and a demonstrated ability to work successfully with diverse constituencies.
- Well-developed skills in networks engagement work.
- Fluency in written and spoken English.

- Strong writing and communication skills.
- Excellent interpersonal skills.
- Ability to work effectively as a team-player.
- Ability to work tight deadlines and to prioritize complex workloads.
- Willingness to travel in the region and internationally when required.

Desirable

- Competency in one or more of these official languages (French, Spanish, Arabic, Portuguese).
- Skills in statistical analysis.
- Well-developed network of contacts in the field of global and/or regional education policy.
- Experience of providing capacity development support to grassroots activists.
- Experience of working in global networks or coalitions.
- Experience of working with GCE member coalitions.

Please note that this is a re-advertisement of position and applicants who have previously applied need not re-apply.

Only applicants who have the right to work in South Africa and UK where the GCE has offices need to apply, however we will be open to a flexible location arrangement where we have National Coalitions as GCE is not able to process work permits for applicants.

For further information on GCE, please visit our website: www.campaignforeducation.org/en. To apply for these positions, please submit your application letter stating your expected salary and CV (**2 pages maximum**), including at least two references, to jobs@campaignforeducation.org on or before the closing date: **Fri, 12th January 2018**. Please indicate the title of the job you're applying for in the subject line.

- GCE is an equal opportunity organisation and everyone is encouraged to apply.
- Please note that due to high volumes of applications that we receive, only shortlisted candidates will be contacted.
- GCE reserves the right to shortlist and employ before the indicated closing date and in that case the job advert may be withdrawn at any time from job sites without notification.