

# Vacancy - Data & Survey Research Associate

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**Position Title:** Data & Survey Research Associate

Location: Yaoundé, Cameroon

**EVIHDAF** is an international research and evaluation organization **headquartered in Yaoundé, Cameroon**, which serves the **West and Central African region**. It provides services in Research, Evaluation & Learning; Data, Analytics & Information Systems, and Social & Behavior Change Strategies. Its practice areas include Health and Health Systems, Nutrition and Food Security, and Agriculture and Livelihoods. EVIHDAF has a USAID-funded project office in Niamey, Niger, and a Data Unit satellite office in Parakou, Benin.

**EVIHDAF** is looking for dynamic and motivated candidates to fill the position of **Data & Survey Research Associate**. The successful candidates will have demonstrated technical and leadership capabilities in quantitative research and evaluation design, survey design and implementation including electronic data collection, data management and analysis, training and capacity building, and publications and research utilization, in topical areas including family planning and reproductive health (FP/RH), maternal, newborn and child health (MNCH), nutrition and food security, and malaria and infectious diseases.

The positions require flexibility, strong organizational skills, and willingness to work under pressure, and involves both local and international travels.

## **Responsibilities:**

- Conduct or oversee quantitative data collection and in-depth analysis under our ongoing projects.
- Produce scientific publications and give presentations at conferences as a means of disseminating research results.
- Contribute to research utilization efforts.
- Set up a Survey Research Unit and grow EVIHDAF's capabilities in survey research and data management by attracting new projects.
- Contribute to work plans, monitor their execution, and refine as needed.
- Perform administrative tasks such as writing grant proposals and preparing research proposals.

## **Basic qualifications**

- PhD in economics, statistics, demography, the social sciences, or a related field.
- At least five (5) years of experience in survey research in the areas of FP/RH, MNCH, Nutrition and related fields.
- Proven experience in the design and implementation of a variety of quantitative research activities (operations research, implementation research, evaluation research, etc.), including data analysis, reporting and dissemination.
- Demonstrated experience in survey research key responsibilities (e.g., Survey Methodologist, Sampling Statistician, Data Manager, Data Analyst).
- Familiarity with econometric methods for evaluation and with advanced statistical analytics.
- Experience in the design and implementation of electronic data collection systems using tools such as Open Data Kit (ODK) Collect/Aggregate.
- Strong interpersonal communication, writing, and oral skills in both English and French.
- Interest or experience in capacity building/training in evaluation research and related matters.
- Ability to succinctly communicate complex research rationales, designs, and learning both verbally and in writing.
- Ability to work effectively both independently and in teams.
- Detail-orientated.

#### **Preferred Qualifications**

- Excellent scientific writing and presentation skills, with good track record in peer-review publications and conference presentations.
- Experience working on or leading proposal development in survey research.
- Experience working in countries in the West and Central Africa region.
- Familiarity with US-funded projects and the ability to effectively coordinate with U.S. government agencies, and other technical organizations.

#### How to Apply

Interested candidates are invited to submit their application to the address <u>admin@evihdaf.com</u> with the subject line "Data/Survey Research Associate". The application will consist of:

- A three-page cover letter in English, showing the candidate's qualifications for the position;
- A CV in English of no more than ten (10) pages, ending with names, phone numbers and email addresses of three references.

Candidates from the West and Central Africa region are particularly encouraged to apply. The position will remain open until filled.