

Job Profile

SENIOR ANTHROPOLOGIST

The Centre for International Health Protection (ZIG) of the Robert Koch Institute (RKI) seeks an experienced anthropologist. The RKI is the National Public Health Institute of Germany.

Responsibility Team Lead Anthropology at ZIG

Work hours full time (39 hours per week)

Remuneration up to German Public Service level E14

Start date as soon as possible

Duration until December 2025

Tasks

Management and strategic development of RKI's anthropological expertise in the field of global health with a focus on health emergency response

- Supporting global health emergency response with anthropological expertise (virtual and on-site) (10%)
- Developing and implementing anthropological studies in the field of global health with a focus on health emergency response (35%)
- Providing scientific guidance for the ongoing anthropological studies of ZIG, in particular supporting and mentoring our doctoral students (30%)
- Strategic expansion of RKI's anthropological activities including acquisition of new projects (15%)
- National and international networking (10%)

Our requirements

Formal education requirements

- University education in a relevant field of social science, preferably medical anthropology, and
- PhD in anthropology or related subject, or equivalent experience



Experience (obligatory)

- Experience in developing and implementing international projects
- Expertise and experience in anthropological research, including publication experience, especially in the thematic areas of global health, health system strengthening, health emergency response or One Health
- Experience in supervising and mentoring national and international students
- Experience in national and international networking

Experience (desirable)

- Experience in international health emergency response operations
- Work experience in African countries or with African partners, especially in Sub-Saharan Africa

Language skills

- English (C2 or higher)
- German (desirable)
- Other languages, in particular French (desirable)

We look forward to welcoming a team-player who is pro-active, forward-thinking, and able to work under pressure, a careful communicator and participatory leader.

For any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Dr Iris Hunger, Deputy Head of ZIG, at hungeri@rki.de.