IDRC: Global call for inaugural IDRC College of Reviewers

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Description

Research evaluators are wanted for IDRC's inaugural College of Reviewers.

An all-of-IDRC evaluation of the quality of the research the Centre has supported over the past five years will be launched in 2020. IDRC is seeking applicants to join the Centre's inaugural College of Reviewers to assess IDRC-funded research in this evaluation.

Scope

IDRC's Policy and Evaluation Division is looking for external experts to serve within an inaugural IDRC College of Reviewers. Successful candidates will be assigned to a thematic panel within the College of Reviewers and will assess samples of research projects related to their own disciplinary expertise. College panels will be constructed to align to IDRC programs.

IDRC is looking for a research quality evaluation, not a research impact or research outcome evaluation. Judgements on quality will be sought using the RQ+ approach. RQ+ requires assessments to be drawn related to the scientific integrity, legitimacy, importance, and utility of a research project. At the same time, RQ+ requires contextual categorization and empirical data collection.

Learn more about RQ+ [2].

Eligibility

Candidates will be selected on the basis of:

- their individual strengths and expertise; and
- how individuals fit together in a team that can address the breadth of the programming

under review (it is not expected that any single candidate will hold all the requisite thematic strengths needed for this evaluation).

Individual candidates must possess the following qualifications:

- Substantial sectoral knowledge and research experience (minimum 10 years of work experience) relevant to one or more of IDRC's programs
- Experience conducting evaluations of research quality (often called "peer-review") in a research for development context.
- A broad-minded understanding of the parameters of "good quality" in a research for development context.
- Ability to work creatively and productively in a team setting.
- Independence from the IDRC program under review (i.e., the evaluator will not have received research funding from IDRC in the last two years, have no expectation of receiving a research grant in the next year, have no real or perceived conflicts of interest, and have no stake in the evaluation outcome).

The following qualifications would be considered an asset:

- Program evaluation experience.
- Fluency in one or more languages (beyond English or French) that are applicable to IDRC programming.

These criteria will be assessed in the initial application package (based on a cover letter and CV).

A short-list of candidates will be selected for interview (by telephone or Skype) to further assess applicants.

Funding Availability

Reviewers will be compensated $750 CAD per day for 37 days.

Project Duration

January to June 2020

Deadlines

If College-level review is required, your College will communicate its earlier internal deadlines.

Type	Date	Notes
Internal Deadline	Wednesday, October 9, 2019 - 12:00pm	Applicants should submit their

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		signed OR-5 form and full application package to research.services@uoguelph.ca [3].
External Deadline	Wednesday, October 16, 2019 - 11:45pm	Applicants submit a CV and a maximum two-page cover letter outlining how they meet each of the eligibility requirements to: collegeofreviewers@idrc.ca [4].

For Questions, please contact
Questions?

Your question may be addressed in the Frequently Asked Questions [5]. [6] Please consult the FAQ often as they will be updated regularly.

Any other pertinent questions may be sent to collegeofreviewers@idrc.ca [4] with "Question" clearly indicated in the subject line.

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[2] https://www.idrc.ca/en/research-in-action/research-quality-plus

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