Visiting Fellow, Brookings Doha Center

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Location Qatar, United Arab Emirates

Sector Non Profit
Experience Mid Career
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Position description

Based in Qatar the <u>Brookings Doha Center</u> (BDC) is an overseas center of the Brookings Institution that advances high-quality independent policy research and analysis on major issues facing the Middle East / North Africa region. The Center enjoys an outstanding reputation for policy impact and cutting-edge, field-oriented research on socioeconomic and geopolitical issues facing the broader Middle East region. Open to a broad range of views and disciplines, the BDC is a hub for Brookings scholarship in the region.

Visiting Fellowships

The BDC is pleased to announce Visiting Fellow positions for 2018-2019. The BDC hosts four or five Visiting Fellows each year. Following a competitive selection process, the Visiting Fellow takes up residence at the BDC for a 9–12-month period. Visiting Fellows conduct individual research, interact with other researchers and with policymakers, present their research at events, and contribute to the activities of the Center. Visiting Fellows receive a grant to cover the costs of living, travel, and research. They also receive a roundtrip ticket to and from Doha.

Responsibilities

Visiting Fellows are expected to complete two research outputs on issues that fall broadly within BDC's areas of interest: (1) a **policy briefing** and (2) an original research project, in the form of an **analysis paper**, **a book**, **or an edited volume** or some other format that the author might wish to propose.

- A Policy Briefing is a 3,500-4,000-word, forward-looking discussion of a current, time-sensitive policy issue. It should include specific, actionable, evidence-based policy recommendations. It normally aligns with a fellow's area of expertise and summarizes their experience on an issue.
- The original research project should present a well-developed and supported, policy-relevant argument or idea. It can take the form of an Analysis Paper, which is an 8,000-10,000-word in-depth discussion of a current policy issue. Visiting follows may instead choose to complete a book or an edited volume to be considered for publication by Brookings Institution Press.

BDC has identified a number of priority research areas. These include, but are not limited to:

- International relations of the Middle East, including geopolitical security; displacement and humanitarian assistance; conflict
 and post-conflict reconstruction; national reconciliation and transitional justice; radicalization and counter-terrorism; ties
 between MENA and other regions.
- Economic development and inclusive growth, including socioeconomic development; equality of opportunity; socioeconomic and political inclusion of women, youth and migrants; democratic transition and political reform; governance reform and service delivery.
- The challenges of globalization, including the impact of technology and innovation on jobs and social interactions; climate change, energy, and economic diversification; urbanization; governance, institutional reform, and democratization; social policy and state-society relations.

Alongside their individual research, Visiting Fellows are expected to be active members of the BDC community, engaging with colleagues and participating in BDC research projects, public events, monthly meetings, discussion forums and policy roundtables, and contributing to the BDC blog with op-eds covering relevant, current policy issues. Fellows also have the opportunity to engage with policymakers, academics, diplomats, government officials, and journalists, as well as regional business leaders. International media frequently call on Fellows to provide commentary and analysis.

The primary language of publication is English. Final reports will be published in both English and Arabic.

Visiting Fellows are also provided with research funding to conduct field research for an Analysis Paper or to organize a workshop for authors on an edited volume. In some cases, Visiting Fellows may retain their relationship with the BDC in a nonresident capacity for up to one year after completing their visiting fellowship, especially for those working on projects that might take longer to complete, like a book.

Qualifications

Applicants should have a Ph.D. in a field relevant to the area of research (strongly preferred), or an advanced degree and at least five years of professional experience in a relevant field. They must have a demonstrated ability to conduct professional, in-depth research and a proven record of publishing and fluency in English. Working knowledge of Arabic would be a plus.

Program Requirements

Visiting Fellows must be available for a full-time affiliation with the BDC, and be based in Qatar, for 9-12 months. They are expected to be active participants in BDC activities, including but not limited to regularly organized policy discussions, seminars, workshops, and other events. Visiting Fellows must be familiar with and uphold the Brookings Institution's commitment to independent, nonpartisan research and publication, and to maintaining the highest level of integrity in pursuit of this mission.

Timeline and Deadline

The deadline for submission to be considered for September 2018 start dates is May 1, 2018. The deadline for submission to be considered for January 2019 start dates is October 1, 2018.

Application instructions

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