Job Opportunity: Communications Associate

Development Alternatives with Women for a New Era (DAWN) is a network of feminist scholars, researchers and activists from the global South working for economic, ecological, social and gender justice and sustainable and democratic development. For more information, please see https://dawnnet.org/.

DAWN is seeking applications for a Communications Associate position from suitably qualified candidates, to support DAWN’s work for the Feminists for a People’s Vaccine Campaign (FPV) Campaign. The Campaign is fundamentally about challenging the power imbalance between North and South, by advocating for equitable access to diagnostic, vaccines and therapeutics as a mechanism to push for systemic change in the global health architecture, please see https://feminists4peoplesvaccine.org;

With communications being a cross-cutting line of the Campaign, the work involves, to some extent, contributing to all aspects of the campaign (knowledge-building, advocacy, research, campaign) but mainly focuses on producing communication pieces that amplifies the work of the campaign and builds knowledge based on global South feminist and intersectional perspectives. The FPV communications focus on three main dimensions, but are not exclusive to: a) promoting awareness on COVID-19 access to medicines, the advocacy landscape and the Campaign’s advocacy work; b) spotlighting the disproportionate and intersectional effects of COVID-19; and c) building capacity on access to medicines, intellectual property geopolitics with a feminist lens for feminist constituencies. DAWN has built a coalition of global South feminist partners demanding fair and equitable access to DVT’s in the short-term, while simultaneously calling on governments to invest in R&D and manufacturing capacity to produce DVT’s in the long-term. The aim is to broaden the coalition of actors by supplementing the technically focused access to medicines advocates, with a coordinated community-based civil society response in the global South. The work will be done under the supervision of members of DAWN’s Executive Committee and the campaign associate. This will be an output-based contract, with payment conditional on meeting set deliverables. The proposed start date is July 1, 2023.
QUALIFICATIONS

- A bachelor’s degree in communications, journalism, marketing, international relations or related fields.
- A minimum of 3 years of experience in communications and/or editorial work in feminist organizations.
- Knowledge of science dissemination, health, gender, trade, intellectual property and access to medicines would be desirable.
- Excellent command of English and writing skills
- Required conversant skills on Microsoft Office and social media tools.

Applicants must be well-organized; be able to work collaboratively as part of a team, as well as independently; be able to take initiative, prioritize tasks, and work under tight deadlines.

This is not a staff position. It is an ideal part-time position for someone with experience of working for women’s rights or in a feminist movement on health issues; or for someone who has been working in the field of access to medicines issues impacting women.

Compensation will depend on qualifications and experience.

If you are interested in this position, please send your CV and supporting documents with the subject line ‘Vacancy - Communications Associate’ to fem4peoplesvaccine@gmail.com by COB Friday June 16th, 2023. Only those who are shortlisted will be contacted.