

The International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) is an impartial, neutral and independent organization whose exclusively humanitarian mission is to protect the lives and dignity of victims of armed conflict and other situations of violence and to provide them with assistance. The ICRC also endeavors to prevent suffering by promoting and strengthening humanitarian law and universal humanitarian principles. Established in 1863, the ICRC is at the origin of the Geneva Conventions and the International Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement. Please visit www.icrc.org for more information.

Vacancy Notice

The ICRC Regional Delegation in Bangkok seeks to fill the following position:

Communications Officer, based in Bangkok

We are seeking a motivated team player with a positive, can-do attitude to join our dynamic team.

The ICRC Bangkok Regional Communication Centre (RCC) is seeking a dedicated, well qualified team player to support the implementation of ICRC's regional public communication efforts in the Asia-Pacific region. The Communications Officer is the regional focal point for public communication activities in support of the ICRC's efforts in positioning itself to increase acceptance of its mission, objectives, and operations in the Region.

S/he will reinforce and enhance relationships with journalists and other influencers across the Asia-Pacific markets with a view to profiling the ICRC mandate, humanitarian concerns and operations. S/he promotes ICRC messages on institutional priorities and operational activities and concerns.

With the regional teams, s/he manages media queries, interviews, and other public-facing engagement opportunities, advising teams in the Region on public communication issues, opportunities, challenges and contributes to implementing public engagement and digital strategies.

ACCOUNTABILITIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Provides information to media on the ICRC's operations and humanitarian concerns particularly on issues relevant to/in the Asia-Pacific Region.
- Builds relations with regional and global media based in Bangkok and within the Asia-Pacific Region.
- Supports delegations in the Asia-Pacific Region in building and reinforcing their media networks and other related capacity building activities.
- Supports the drafting of news releases, reactive lines and other products for media and pitches story ideas, content and interviews.
- In consultation with the Bangkok RCC Manager, build proactive strategies, identify information gaps or data deficits, and assist in producing responsive content to prebunk harmful narratives and manage misinformation, disinformation, and hate speech (MDH).
- Work with colleagues from other departments including REM and RRN to identify relevant and timely angles for media interests on ICRC work.

GENERAL DUTIES

- Understands and adheres to the seven Fundamental Principles of the International Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement
- Understands and adheres to the ICRC Code of Conduct
- Understands the roles of the components of the International Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement
- Respects and observes staff regulations and security rules at all times
- Develops and maintains a conducive working environment with colleagues and line managers
- May be asked to perform tasks not covered in this job description and to provide support to other departments as necessary

YOUR PROFILE:

- University degree in a relevant discipline such as journalism, communication management, public relations, or political
- Computer skills and familiarity with digital communication tools.
- Minimum 5 years of direct work experience in media, media relations and content generation.
- Excellent written and oral communication skills in English. Good command of other Asian languages an asset.
- Excellent public communication skills and in-depth knowledge of the media environment in the Asia-Pacific Region.
- Ability to travel up to 15 per cent of the year.
- Strongly motivated by humanitarian work
- Ability to respond and adhere to tight deadlines with minimum supervision and unforeseen humanitarian emergencies

WE OFFER:

- Dynamic and challenging work in the humanitarian sector and international environment
- Competitive salary with benefits, good working conditions and in-house training/development
- Open-ended resident contract (subject to organizational requirements)

Preferred starting date: ASAP

Submission deadline for applications: 31 January 2025

The ICRC values diversity and is committed to creating an inclusive working environment. We welcome applications from all qualified candidates, regardless of background, race, religion, gender, age, disability, or status.

Qualified applicants are requested to submit their comprehensive **CV** and **letter of motivation** in English, as well as **salary expectations**, following this format for the subject line: <u>POSITION – First Name Surname</u> by email only to: <u>ban_recruitment_services@icrc.org</u>

Kindly note that only short-listed candidates will be invited for the interview and the ICRC will not keep the files of applicants who were not shortlisted