

IAC Volunteer Role Description

Volunteer Role Title: IAC Mapping Project Volunteer – Writer

What is involved? We are looking to welcome a person who would commit to work regularly on this research project. The work involves writing a country report/s based on the data and information gathered by the researchers and others. The country reports are a description of the current state of the counselling profession in each country, including: a brief history; current regulatory status/level of recognition; challenges and trends, and practice settings. Information on the counselling associations, education institutes offering counsellor education programmes, and counselling services, will also be included in the articles (see samples in the mapping [link](#))

How will I be supported?

- Initial induction with the Project leaders and subsequent training with the persons responsible for the allocated research and mapping region.
- Supervisory liaison with either of above.
- All mapping activity will be clearly instructed and will have a flexible schedule for working.

What skills are required for this position?

Ideally, you would have comprehensive scholarly writing and writing research in the social sciences, expertise in APA style formatting, and have had articles published.

******** We ask that applicants for this role list their publications and email a sample publication, where you were the solo, or lead author, along with your application ****

Where would you carry out the work? E-volunteering is carried out from the Volunteers home/college/work* on their personal computers/devices.

Level of English: Fluent English is required for this role. Other languages are not necessary but may be an advantage as we progress to offering information in more languages.

What experience do I need? Useful background experience /qualifications include:

- Proven interest in Counselling/ Humanities / Social work.
- Previous article publication

Minimum Duration: 1 year.

Hours Required: 1 - 1.5 hours weekly.

Interview / Screening: Informal Skype Interview.

How will I be acknowledged? You will be acknowledged both on the IAC website and through a written reference.

Age Restriction: Must be over 18.

Expenses: IAC is not in a position to pay expenses related to this volunteering role. In particular circumstances, out of pocket expenses may be covered by pre-arrangement with the volunteer's supervisor.

How to Apply: Please email Naoise Kelly: ceo@iac-irtac.org with a short (less than one page) letter of interest and attach your CV.

- Please also list any of your publications/articles and email a sample, where you were the solo (or lead) author, along with your application.

*Perhaps your Employer would consider supporting this work as part of a Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR), or as a partial secondment programme? – Enquiries welcome.

Type of Volunteering: E-Volunteering (aka Online/Virtual volunteering) is volunteering *off-site* by using the Internet and your home, college, or work computer/ electronic device. E-volunteering is as helpful and impactful to IAC as traditional volunteering.

Aim of volunteering role - Why we need you: We are seeking an IAC Mapping volunteer to help research and map the counselling landscape worldwide. The *IAC Mapping Project* aims to research and quantify the extent of counselling activity worldwide. The role involves researching the numbers of counsellors, courses, counselling organisations and other counselling related activity in countries and

