Organisation: Balkan Civil Society Development Network

Headquarters: 20ti Oktomvri No.1/2, 1000 Skopje, Macedonia

Job Description: Policy and Advocacy Officer

Position:	Policy and Advocacy Officer
Responsible to:	Programme Manager
Responsible for:	Coordination and execution of policy, research and advocacy activities
Special Conditions:	Overtime (after office hours and on weekends, based on agreement, travel at home and abroad)
Employment timeframe:	Annual contract
Short description of work:	Participates in planning and executes regular research, policy and advocacy activities, promotes policy and advocacy results and achievements

# A detailed job description:

## 1) Strategic development of BCSDN

- Follows trends related to policy and advocacy of non-profit/civil society sector, including enabling environment for CSDev and EU enlargement policy in view of the role of civil society
- Participates in creation and implementation in BCSDN Mid-term strategy in policy and advocacy sphere
- Contributes to developing policy and advocacy strategies and approaches for BCSDN on daily basis
- Follows the work of relevant EU networks and proposes, executes BCSDN participation in them

## 2) Human resource management

• Responsible for liaising with subcontractors (e.g. researchers)

# 3) Policy, advocacy and research

- Monitors development on enabling environment for CSDev
- Monitors the work of EU institutions, Enlargement policy and financial support related to civil society
- Prepares analysis of effects of EU policy on civil society in Enlargement countries
- Follows effects of EU policy on civil society in other regions via liaising with EU networks
- Participates to the work of relevant EU networks of interest of BCSDN
- Executes other related activities and tasks from the Periodical (Q) Work Plan

#### 4) Project and Financial management

- Manages projects or activities in the domain of policy and advocacy including project/activity budgets
- Prepares activity/project reports in domain of policy and advocacy
- Handles documentation related to policy and advocacy activities

## 5) Regular office obligations

Perform other duties as required

# Required qualifications:

- M.A. degree in social science, preferably in political science, EU integration or (international) law
- Minimum 3 years of experience in the civil society sector
- Minimum 3 years of experience in research, policy and advocacy
- Analytical and strategic thinking
- Excellent communication skills and ability to communicate with people from different backgrounds
- Excellent written communication skills
- Excellent organizational skills
- Ability to work in a team and individually
- Excellent knowledge of English
- Computer skills and knowledge of running social media, presentation preparation
- Driving licence, knowledge of local languages (Albanian, Serbian/Croatian etc.) is an asset