Fellowship Announcement

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Position</th>
<th>Asian NGO Network on National Human Rights Institutions (ANNI) Fellowship</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Location</td>
<td>Bangkok, Thailand</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Fellowship Duration</td>
<td>• Start date: 1 October 2017</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>• 6 months from 1 October 2017 – 31 March 2018</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Stipend</td>
<td>A small stipend will be provided to the successful candidate to cover their costs of travel and living in Bangkok during the Fellowship</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Closing date</td>
<td>5 September 2017, midnight Bangkok Time (UTC+7)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Interview Dates</td>
<td>Approx. 15 – 18 September 2017</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

About the Organisation

The Asian Forum for Human Rights and Development (FORUM-ASIA) is a membership-based regional human rights organisation founded in 1991 with the mission to promote and protect all human rights, including the right to development, through collaboration and cooperation between human rights defenders and organisations in Asia.

At present, it has 58 member organisations across 19 countries in Asia working on a wide range of issues related to human rights, democracy, and development in their respective countries. Its regional Secretariat is located in Bangkok, Thailand, and has offices in Jakarta, Geneva, and Kathmandu.

FORUM-ASIA is committed to building a peaceful, just, equitable and ecologically sustainable community of peoples and societies in Asia where all human rights of all individuals, groups and peoples—in particular, the poor, marginalised and discriminated peoples—are fully respected and realised in accordance with internationally accepted human rights norms and standards. It advocates human rights issues through engagement with governments, inter-governmental organisations and the United Nations for the better promotion and protection of all human rights.

FORUM-ASIA has special consultative status with the United Nations Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC).

Summary of the Programme

The Asian NGO Network on National Human Rights Institutions (ANNI) is a network of Asian NGOs and human rights defenders working on issues relating to or in collaboration with National Human Rights Institutions (NHRIs) in their respective countries in Asia. This network was established in December 2006 at the 1st Regional Consultation on Cooperation between NHRIs and NGOs in Asia held in Bangkok, Thailand, which was organised by the Asian Forum for Human Rights and Development (FORUM-ASIA). FORUM-ASIA is the designated Secretariat of ANNI.

The goal of ANNI is to help establish and develop accountable, independent, effective, and transparent national human rights institutions in Asia. In countries where there are NHRIs, ANNI members focus on strengthening the work and functioning of Asian NHRIs to better promote and protect human rights, as well as to advocate for their improved compliance with international standards, including the Paris Principles and General Observations of the Sub-Committee on Accreditation (SCA) of the Global Alliance of NHRIs (GANHRI). In countries where there are no NHRIs, ANNI, together with its members and partners, work with concerned stakeholders such as civil society organisations, representatives of the government and other actors towards the establishment of an independent and effective Paris Principles-compliant NHRI.
Responsibilities
The Fellow will be working under the guidance and supervision of FORUM-ASIA’s NHRI Programme Officer. The Fellow will contribute to the work of ANNI through:

1. Assisting in planning and coordinating activities related to ANNI membership development, including ANNI’s Annual Consultation, ANNI’s Annual Conference back-to-back with the Asia-Pacific Forum’s Annual or Biennial Conference;
2. Assisting in coordinating activities related to ANNI’s engagement with the Asia Pacific Forum (APF) and Global Alliance of NHRI (GANHRI);
3. Conducting substantive research and analysis of developments concerning NHRI in Asia;
4. Assisting in coordinating stakeholders’ information to the Sub-Committee on Accreditation (SCA) of GANHRI for the review of Asian NHRI;
5. Writing a variety of communications, press releases, statements, etc.;
6. Other related duties as required.

Eligibility and Qualifications
The fellowship programme is designed to build the capacity of Asian human rights advocates who engage with national human rights institutions at the national level. The fellowship will also provide ample opportunity to expand the understanding of the role NHRI play in promoting and protecting human rights in Asia.

The fellowship is open for Asian human rights advocates or practitioners with knowledge of and/or experience working with NHRI in Asia. The candidate should have:

1. Bachelor’s degree or higher in the field of human rights or a related subject such as politics, social sciences, international relations, international law, or Asian studies.
2. Minimum 1-2 years of working experience on NHRI related issues at national, regional, and/or international levels.
3. Understanding of the actual application and implementation of international human rights instruments in a variety of situations.
4. Good understanding about the work of FORUM-ASIA, particularly in relation to ANNI.
5. Good analytical, communication, and report-writing skills in English.

Application Procedures
Applicants are requested to send their curriculum vitae (CV) and a motivation letter to applications@forum-asia.org before 5 September 2017, midnight Bangkok Time (UTC+7), stating “ANNI Fellowship Application” in the subject line. Please note that late applications will not be considered.

Shortlisted candidates will be invited to an online interview approximately 15 – 18 September 2017.