

Expert Commission Member – Cities: Commitment, Coordination and Learning

About the foundation

Fondation Botnar is a Swiss foundation creating a better tomorrow for all children by investing in emerging solutions today. Fondation Botnar acts as a catalyst, connecting diverse partners and investing in scalable artificial intelligence (AI) and digital innovation to improve the health and wellbeing of children and young people in growing urban environments around the world.

Job Context

Our growing team of motivated experts is currently implementing a new strategy including ramping up our grants funding. Fondation Botnar will fund and support work on its focus areas in urban environments in 7-10 countries across the world as well as through international research partnerships. It is expected that the total grant expenditure will expand to around 70 million CHF per year as of 2019.

With the exception of applications for "one-off grants", all applications for funding are examined in detail by an advisory Expert Commission. The Expert Commission is comprised of members of the Foundation Board, the Management as well as external experts chosen by the Foundation Board.

Five senior external experts are being hired and the Fondation Botnar Expert Commission will take up its activities in spring 2019. It is expected that the chosen external experts have affiliations with academia, think-tanks or research institutions and proven operational experience in their field of expertise.

Job Description

As part of the Expert Commission the Cities Expert will be responsible for:

- Appraisal of around 10-12 funding proposals per year.
- Monthly online meetings of Expert Commission (2 hours each).
- Two annual face to face meetings in Basel, Switzerland.

The expected workload will be between 12-15 days a year.

Experience/Qualification

- Master's degree in Urban Planning, Urban Health or related field.
- A minimum of 7 years of relevant professional experience in:
 - Urban innovation
 - Urban settings in Low- and Middle-Income Countries (LMICs) with a focus on urban health issues.

- Tri-sector partnerships in cities.
- Implementation of projects in cities in LMICs.
- Innovative Monitoring and Evaluation frameworks.

Personal skills and competencies

- Good communication skills.
- Strategic Thinker.
- Entrepreneurial spirit.
- Innovative and open to new ideas.
- Diplomatic.
- Team player.

Other

- Understanding and endorsement of Fondation Botnar's vision and approach.
- Free of conflict of interest (not recipient of Fondation Botnar project grants).

Our offer

Fondation Botnar offers a competitive package for selected candidates comprising of a lump sum and expenses. The contract will be for 3 years with a possibility to renew one time.

Application and Selection process

The preselection of suitable candidates will be carried out by cinfo (www.cinfo.ch)

Interested and qualified candidates should submit their application (CV and motivation letter) online as soon as possible. This is a re-advertisement as no suitable candidate was found in the first round.

[Online Application](#)

First round of interviews: March 2019 by Skype