

## The Oslo Center - Senior Advisor East Africa

### Who we are

The Oslo Center is an independent non-profit organization working in the fields of democratization and democratic governance. We are passionate about democratic values that contribute to strong and stable societies. At The Oslo Center, we share the belief in an inclusive and representative democracy where people are at the center, with the rights and capability to influence their own communities. We seek to support, promote, and strengthen democratic processes by recognizing potential and to face challenges with patience, resilience, and understanding of the local context.

Through our tailor-made approaches of enhancing democratic practices, we strengthen political and government institutions and have three main areas of operation: inclusion, political representation, and democratic governance. Along with collaborative partnerships, we contribute to the development of democratic systems that are more responsive to citizen needs, respecting their meaningful and inclusive participation, human rights, and dignity.

### Who you are

The Oslo Center is seeking a Senior Advisor that will lead the development and implementation of the organization's democracy and governance programs in East Africa, including Kenya, Tanzania, Uganda, and Somalia. The overall responsibility for the Senior Advisor will be overseeing donor relations, fundraising and management of the East Africa region programs. The person will be based in Nairobi or Oslo, with regular travel activities to the programmatic region, and will report to the Executive Director based in Oslo, HQ.

#### Job Description:

- The employee is responsible for the management and development of democracy assistance and governance projects in East Africa.
- The employee will oversee The Oslo Center's regional office in Nairobi and regional implementation.
- The Senior Advisor will work together with and report to the Executive Director to assure strategic directions and enhance The Oslo Center's representation in the region.
- The employee will be responsible for implementing fundraising strategies and manage donor relations.
- The employee will serve as a link between The Oslo Center- East Africa and relevant stakeholders including international donors, diplomatic communities, international organizations, political and elected officials, and civil society in the program countries.
- The Senior Advisor will represent The Oslo Center – East Africa amongst democracy assistance experts, debates, and organizations.

#### Your Qualifications:

- You have bachelors or master in democracy and governance field (e.g., political science, developmental studies, law)
- 7–15 years extensive experience in democracy and governance program implementation.
- At least 3 years of senior management experience.
- Extensive experience in Fundraising.
- Familiarity and working experience of the local context in East Africa.
- Experience working in a dynamic and fluid political environment.

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- An established skill set in developing and maintaining international and local network in democracy and governance.
- Fluency in English, Scandinavian languages will be a plus (e.g., Norwegian, Swedish, and Danish).
- Ideally good knowledge and experience of fundraising within the Scandinavian and European donor communities.

If you're up for this role, please send your CV and cover letter to [ock@oslocenter.no](mailto:ock@oslocenter.no) by 31<sup>st</sup> May 2022. Please let us know about yourself and why you think The Oslo Center might be the right home for you!