

IAP-Save the Children Editor/Consultancy on 'Climate Change and Health'

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Background: Climate change has the potential to disrupt the progress of humanity because it affects the provision of food, safe water and clean air on which we all depend, and magnifies already existing socially-mediated risks, such as displacement and access to essential health services. Thus climate change is expected to exacerbate risks to health.

When considering climate adaptation and mitigation actions, therefore, countries must also consider the health impacts of such actions. Not doing so could result in trade-offs and unintended consequences which could ultimately undermine health, while well-designed climate adaptation and mitigation actions can provide opportunities to reduce and prevent risks to health.

To build governments' awareness of multi-sectoral, systems-based studies and policies, IAP has called for examples of case studies of approaches to problem-solving and policies that have been used to address the interlinked challenges of climate and health. Authors of selected case studies will be invited to a workshop in Trieste in September 2023. Following the workshop, the case studies will be edited into a volume to be made freely available that IAP hopes will provide practical examples to decision makers that can be replicated in other situations.

The project builds on the IAP ['Climate Change and Health'](#) project, as well as the Save the Children's new strategic initiative ['Climate and Health: Accelerating action on climate with health benefits'](#).

IAP is now seeking an editor to work on post-workshop versions of the selected case studies, preparing them for publication according to IAP style guidelines.

It is expected that the case study book will be printed during December and also made freely available online. IAP and Save the Children are also planning to make a preliminary presentation of workshop discussions at COP28 in the UAE in November.

Art 1. Duties and responsibilities

The consultant should attend the workshop in Trieste planned for 5-7 September (costs will be covered). At the workshop, s/he will attend the case study presentations by selected authors and be able to interact with them.

Following the workshop, the editor will work on each case study text, ensuring that the English is correct (for some authors English is not their mother-tongue), and that the language used is concise, non-technical, jargon-free and understandable by a general audience; also that any figures are clear and that IAP would have the necessary permissions for their reproduction. S/he will check their outputs with the authors and via two or more expert peer reviewers identified by IAP.

It is expected that there will be about 15 such case studies, each one with a maximum length of 3,000 words.

The editor will liaise closely with the IAP Coordinator, a representative of Save the Children, and an expert from the IAP CCH project.

Art 2. Deliverables and expected timeline

- Attendance of the IAP workshop in Trieste, Italy: 5-7 September
- Preparation of case study chapters (about 15) and circulation to authors and reviewers for checking: by 31 October
- Incorporation of author and reviewer remarks and a final check if needed: by 20 November
- Submission of case study chapters with images/figures to IAP: 30 November (With the aim of preparing the page layout for printing during December).

Art 3. Qualification requirements: The editor should hold a Masters or PhD in a field of the sciences or social sciences, with at least five years of subsequent professional experience in fields such as climate change, medical/biosciences, international science, science for development, science communication, science policy, etc. The preferred candidate will be familiar with IAP's Climate Change and Health project, or at least relevant aspects of climate change adaptation and public health. A high level of English, along with analytical and data presentation skills along with at least 3 years' experience writing/editing in English for a non-technical audience, are also required.

Art 4. Payment:

Total: USD8,000

A preliminary payment of USD2,000 will be made on signing the contract and attendance of the workshop in Trieste. The remaining USD6,000 will be made on submission of the final versions of the case studies for printing/publication.

For more information about the project, visit: <https://www.interacademies.org/news/open-call-climate-change-and-health-policy-case-studies> and review the supplementary material: https://www.interacademies.org/sites/default/files/inline-files/TechnicalDoc_Climate%20and%20Health%20Policy%20Case%20Studies_fnl.pdf