



## **International Bridges to Justice 1-Year Fellowship Opportunities**

International Bridges to Justice (IBJ) is a nonprofit, nongovernmental organization dedicated to ensuring the basic legal rights of ordinary citizens in fragile or conflict-affected countries. Specifically, IBJ works to guarantee the right to competent legal representation, the right to be protected from cruel and unusual punishment and the right to a fair trial for every man, woman, and children.

Some of the highlights of IBJ's work in 2018 include: obtaining funding for projects to pair accused individuals with lawyers through the use of technology in Sri Lanka and Cambodia, publishing country-specific training manuals and hosting legal training sessions in Syria and Myanmar, and establishing an international women defense lawyer network in Francophone African countries like the Democratic Republic of Congo, Rwanda, and Burundi.

IBJ is looking for outstanding, self-motivated law candidates who want to be part of our ongoing mission to end investigative torture and provide access to legal representation to everyone around the world.

### **Timeline & Requirements**

- IBJ welcomes law students and graduates who wish to begin a year-long legal fellowship with us.
- We accept International Fellows throughout the year on a rolling basis. Fellows may be placed in our head office in Geneva or in country programs offices in Burundi, Cambodia, China, D.R. Congo, India, Singapore, and Zimbabwe.
- Note that IBJ cannot provide any form of financial support for this fellowship opportunity. Nonetheless, we will work closely with selected candidates to help them apply for and support opportunities for funding at other sources of their choosing. Proof of institutionalized funding is also required by Swiss law to work in Geneva.

### **Benefits**

- IBJ is interested in hearing about your interest areas and jointly developing proposals for projects that the Fellow can implement during their year-long fellowship.
- IBJ Fellows will get to work in an international, friendly, challenging and rewarding environment with direct supervisors based in both Geneva and/or any other country the Fellow is based.
- Depending on where they are based, IBJ Fellows will work on a variety of tasks and initiatives, including: supporting our eLearning training programs, strengthening our online communities, helping with program management, and contributing to our fundraising initiatives.
- Former Fellows' tasks have included researching criminal procedure codes and penal codes in different criminal justice systems, helping country directors manage project activities, supporting the work of our local public defenders, rolling out online tools and resources for IBJ's JusticeMakers community, and assisting in grant writing proposals.

### **Ideal Candidate**

- We require Fellows to demonstrate strong research and writing skills, with proposal writing experience particularly valued. A degree of familiarity with global criminal justice issues as well as international nonprofit management is also ideal, but not essential.
- The Fellows should also be conversant in another language (ability to read in French is particularly applicable). Experience conducting field research and/or partnerships experience are also desirable.

**To apply, please send a CV, cover letter, and short writing sample no longer than 10 pages to:**

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