



## Job Offer – Iran and Iraq Expert

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### General information

SINE QUA NON is a think tank advocating for a coherent European foreign policy in the Middle East and North Africa (MENA) region. Founded in Paris in 2018 by researchers and young professionals, it draws from backgrounds and experiences from all over the European continent, the MENA region and beyond.

SINE QUA NON's main publications are policy briefs, analysis reports and case study publications. The first case study deals with rethinking European foreign policy in Israel and the occupied Palestinian territory (oPt). Currently, the research unit dedicated to the first case study counts on more than 17 researchers from different academic background. In the meantime, SINE QUA NON has published two analysis reports, one policy brief, two op-eds and three podcasts. In 2020 SINE QUA NON will launch two other case studies, respectively on Jordan and Lebanon and many other projects that will be disclosed throughout the year.

### Description of the position

SINE QUA NON is looking for an experienced researcher to be part of its permanent Research Committee.

As SINE QUA NON is currently approaching the end of its first case-study, the successful candidate will be in charge of launching and managing new research projects on EU foreign policy vis à vis **Iran and Iraq**.

Main responsibilities:

- Monitoring of EU activities in the region;
- Collecting information and data regarding the region and the actions undertaken by EU and EU Member States institutions;
- Development of designed research projects about EU foreign policy in Iraq and Iran;
- Recruitment of external researchers to be employed in specific research projects;
- Supervise preparation of papers by external researches, and review and edit these papers;
- Coordination of a research unit dedicated to ongoing research about the abovementioned region;
- Undertaking individual publications on the aforementioned issues;
- Establishing and maintaining professional contacts with key external organizations and individuals.



## **Prerequisites**

### **Academic and professional background:**

- Middle Eastern Studies, International Relations/Security degree or,
- Economics, Political Science or Law degree with strong focus on the Middle East;
- Proven experience in academic research and/or policy evaluation;
- Proven knowledge of European foreign policy in the Middle East;
- Excellent knowledge of the Iraq and Iran region (history, current affairs, security, politics and economic policy).

### **Prior knowledge and skills:**

- Fluency in English, both written and orally;
- Good use of Excel and Word;
- Good use of STATA, Python, and/or R is a plus;
- Persian and Arabic are plus;
- French is a plus.

### **Profile:**

The successful candidate must show effective communication and writing skills, ability to cooperate and to manage other researchers, ability to meet tight deadlines, and scientific rigor.

## **Contribution from SINE QUA NON**

The successful candidate will be part of a thrilling organization with vast potential. They will contribute to SINE QUA NON's research and will have the chance to have an impact on the organization's long-term strategy.

### **What we offer:**

- Full access to SQN's databases;
- Full access to SQN's public and private sources;
- A wide and ever-growing network of partners such as researchers, journalists, politicians, diplomats, intellectuals, academic centers, universities, Think Tans, NGOs and so on;
- Constant support regarding the conception and the realization research projects;



- Constant support to find the necessary sources, including the management of official requests of documents or data addressing states and international organizations;
- Support in terms of data analysis and econometric analysis if necessary;
- Support in terms of legal analysis if necessary.

## **Practical details and logistics**

**Deadline for application: 20/03/2019**

No specific localization is required. However, in order to keep reporting their progress, the successful candidate must be overall reachable via internet.

For further information on SQN: [www.sinequanon-eu.com](http://www.sinequanon-eu.com)

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