UNESCO is committed to promote geographical distribution and gender equality within its Secretariat. Therefore, women candidates are strongly encouraged to apply, as well as nationals from non- and under-represented Member States. Persons with disabilities are equally encouraged to apply.

Worldwide mobility is required as staff members have to serve in other duty stations according to UNESCO’s geographical mobility policy.

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**Title:** Deputy Editor  
**Domain:** Natural Sciences  
**Grade:** Junior expert  
**Organizational Unit:** Division for Science Policy and Capacity-building  
**Primary Location:** Paris, France  
**Deadline (midnight, Paris time):** 23 August 2019  
**Duration:** 11 months in a calendar year  
**Application to be sent to:** s.schneegans@unesco.org

**OVERVIEW OF THE FUNCTIONS OF THE POST**

UNESCO is looking for a deputy editor for the *UNESCO Science Report 2020*, which is due for release on 10 November 2020. The consultant will work under the direct supervision of the Editor-in-Chief of the report and will interact with service providers.

**BACKGROUND**

The *UNESCO Science Report* series enables governments, academia, the private sector, the media and other science watchers to monitor the evolution of science governance over time. Each quinquennial report provides a snapshot of the situation worldwide at a given time.

The series also enables countries to study other approaches to fostering knowledge societies and compare their own situation with that of others around the world. This can help policy-makers to identify emerging trends, issues and good practices and, thereby, stimulate a debate at the national and regional levels on future directions for science, technology and innovation (STI). In this way, the report serves as a resource for foresight studies.

The first report in the series was published by UNESCO in 1993. Since 2005, the global report has been released every five years on World Science Day for Peace and Development (10 November).

The 2020 edition will be examining science governance in the broad sense, paying attention not only to STI policies but also to other relevant policies and strategies: industrial policies, higher education policies, poverty reduction strategies, environment policies, climate change adaptation strategies, national strategies for specific fields of research, such as artificial intelligence, etc.

The 2020 edition of the *UNESCO Science Report* is very timely, as it will serve as a key monitoring tool for the United Nations’ Sustainable Development Goal 9.5 (SDG 9.5), in particular, which relates to research and innovation. These include SDG targets 9.5.1 and 9.5.2 for raising research intensity (the share of domestic research expenditure in GDP) and researcher density (the number of full-time equivalent researchers per million inhabitants) by 2030. Whereas the 2015 edition provided baseline information and data on the development path countries were following at the time, the 2020 edition will be assessing the progress made by countries towards their development targets since 2015.
REQUIRED QUALIFICATIONS

**EDUCATION**
- Advanced university degree

**WORK EXPERIENCE**
- At least 2 years of relevant professional experience required;
- Familiarity with one or more of the following fields: science, technology and innovation policy; economics; international relations; environmental policy; communication; journalism; editing; philosophy of science.
- Experience of working for the United Nations would be an asset.

**LANGUAGES**
The candidate must be fluent in English (to the level of a native speaker) and have at least basic knowledge of the French language. Knowledge of a third official UN language would be an asset.

**SKILLS**
- Excellent writing, research and analytical skills;
- Proficiency in MS Office, Excel and Acrobat Professional.

**DELIVERABLES**

i) contribute to editing the bulk of chapters which make up the UNESCO Science Report 2020, including the conduct of requisite research and verification of textual and graphic material; drafting of additional material, as necessary, in liaison with the relevant author(s); copyediting and proofing of each chapter before and after it has been laid out by the graphic designer;

ii) identify appropriate photos and obtain the related license from the copyright holder to reproduce these photos in the UNESCO Science Report 2020;

iii) draft promotional material, including for the press kit and report portal;

iv) liaise with internal and external service providers, including the statistician and graphic designer;

v) establish and manage a restricted access website;

vi) respond to regular requests and other matters which may arise during the production cycle of the UNESCO Science Report.

**TIMEFRAME**
The consultancy will last 11 months, with the possibility of a short extension at the end of this period. The contractor will be based in the Natural Sciences Sector at UNESCO headquarters in Paris for the duration of the contract.

The contractor must be available to begin the consultancy by **Tuesday 1 October 2019**.

**COMPENSATION**
The contract would cover a period of 11 months for a fee of US$3,480 (about 3,000 euros) per month. The contractor would be expected to work full-time for UNESCO over this period. He/She would receive the corresponding payment at the end of each calendar month. The contractor would be expected to submit a regular activity report.

**HOW TO APPLY**
The application must be in English and must contain the following information:
• Curriculum vitae
• A list of previous similar assignments
• At least two professional referees.
• Interested consultants to indicate ability and availability to undertake the terms of reference within the timeframe outlined above.

Please submit your electronic application by Friday 23 August 2019 at the latest to:
s.schneegans@unesco.org

Please indicate your name and “Consultancy – USR 2020 – Assignment 1” in the subject line.