

## Deputy Director of Tobacco Control – Policy Research

### Vital Strategies

Vital Strategies, based in New York City, is an international public health organization. We develop and oversee programs to strengthen public health systems and address leading causes of morbidity and mortality, providing expertise in project implementation and management, strategic communications, epidemiology and surveillance, and other core public health capacities. Our specific programs include road safety, obesity prevention, tobacco control, and activities to strengthen public health data systems and the use of public health data to guide policy and decision-making. Activities are based in low and middle income countries and cities in Africa, Latin America, Asia and the Pacific. Please visit our website at [www.vitalstrategies.org](http://www.vitalstrategies.org) to find out more about our work.

### The Union

The International Union Against Tuberculosis and Lung Disease (The Union), headquartered in Paris, France since 1920, has regional and country offices in Africa, Asia Pacific, Europe, Latin America, North America and South-East Asia. The Union provides expertise in project implementation and management, epidemiology and surveillance, and other core public health capacities on a variety of global health challenges. For more information about The Union please visit [www.theunion.org](http://www.theunion.org) and about The Union's Tobacco Control Department please visit [www.tobaccofreeunion.org](http://www.tobaccofreeunion.org).

### Background

This position will be involved in the tobacco control work of the International Union Against Tuberculosis and Lung Disease (The Union). This program is funded by Bloomberg Philanthropies and is designed to implement best practices of tobacco control policies at the global level. The position will be based in the Vital Strategies offices in New York City. Applicants must have a valid work permit to work in New York City.

### Specific Duties

- Advise the Director of Tobacco Control Department at The Union in setting strategic directions of the Department;
- Support country teams of The Union Tobacco Control Department in providing tobacco control policy support to national and local governments;
- Advise country teams of The Union Tobacco Control Department in annual planning, setting priorities and strategies.
- Lead the monitoring of scientific literature in tobacco control particularly related to the research development in e-cigarettes and other new tobacco products and provide regular updates for the Tobacco Control Department.
- Lead the development of key reports for the Tobacco Control Department based on work by The Union's tobacco control country teams and grantees.
- Publish opinion pieces on key tobacco control issues e.g. interpretation of the industry fallacies and voicing The Union's position on new products.
- Attend meetings on behalf of the Director of Tobacco Control Department at The Union when needed;
- Support the Director of Tobacco Control at The Union in day-to-day functioning of the Tobacco Control Department;

- Other duties as required by the Director of Tobacco Control Department at The Union;
- The incumbent will report to the Director of Tobacco Control Department at The Union;
- This position will be based in New York City;
- Competitive compensation commensurate with education and experience will be provided.

### **Qualifications and skill set**

- Master of Public Health degree is required; Doctoral Degree in Public Health preferred;
- Minimum 10 years' work experience in the field of public health, Minimum 5 years' work experience in the field of tobacco control or NCD;
- Prior experience of working in international settings strongly preferred;
- Excellent communication skills, both face-to-face and in writing;
- Fluency in written and spoken English, fluency in another foreign language is a plus;
- Organized, responsive, attentive to details, and collaborative;
- Up to 20% of travel is required.

### **How to apply:**

Applicants interest in the post, should send to [hr@vitalstrategies.org](mailto:hr@vitalstrategies.org) their CV, cover letter, any examples of papers that have been published, such as academic papers, and the contact information of three employers who can provided references. Please indicate in the subject line of the email: 'Vacancy Deputy Director TC – Policy Research'

Application deadline: open until filled.