

Loaned Executive ProgramAssignment Announcement

Senior Advisor, Disaster Resilience, S&T

Description:

The U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS) Science and Technology Directorate's (S&T) Support to the Homeland Security Enterprise and First Responders Group seeks to bring in one or more Loaned Executive(s) to advise S&T on disaster resiliency with subject matter expertise in flood causes and mitigation. The candidate(s) will report directly to the Director of the First Responders Group and will advise on industry best practices, current DHS internal processes, and improved stakeholder engagement to include international natural disaster resilience issues.

This position will be in direct support of the DHS S&T visionary goal: Resilient Communities: Disaster Proofing Society (http://www.dhs.gov/science-and-technology/visionary-goals).

The First Responders Group strengthens the response community's ability to protect the homeland and respond to disasters through its engagement and partnership with first responders and the emergency management enterprise. The First Responders Group pursues a better understanding of the response community's needs and requirements, provides technical assistance and develops innovative solutions to the most pressing challenges faced during day-to-day and large-scale emergencies.

In close partnership with first responders at all levels, the First Responders Group identifies, validates and facilitates the fulfillment of needs through the use of existing and emerging technologies, knowledge products and standards. Prioritized areas of the First Responders Group focus and initiatives include efforts to:

- Make first responders more safe
- Help first responders share data and critical information
- Help first responders communicate through interoperability
- Engage, communicate, and partner with first responders
- Enhance natural disaster resiliency with an emphasis on flood disaster resiliency

Length:

The position is a six-month assignment with the option for a six-month renewal. During this time, the loaned executive(s) will serve as a subject matter expert for S&T.

Work Schedule:

The loaned executive (s) will work via temporary employment, as defined in 5 CFR § 304.102. The work schedule is full-time, with the option of part-time or intermittent.

Component:

S&T

Location:

Washington, DC

Duties and Responsibilities:

- Advise on the development of disaster resiliency oriented policies, procedures, directives, and outreach associated with S&T and other DHS components that have disaster responsespecific missions.
- Serve as a consultant on industry best practices for outreach and partnership with state, local, private sector, research organizations and non-governmental organizations.
- Advise on defining an approach to advance outcomes and success metrics for S&T research and development efforts based on the needs and requirements of the first responder community.

Eligibility Requirements:

All candidates must have/be:

- Extensive senior-level experience in disaster resilience with strong subject matter expertise in all aspects of flood causes and mitigation, including the National Flood Insurance Program.
- Substantial knowledge of natural disaster resiliency, related policy, and disaster response architecture.
- Extensive, senior-level expertise in the development and fostering of public-private partnerships for natural disaster resiliency.
- Meet DHS suitability requirements. All suitability-related issues need to be resolved in advance of the actual assignment to ensure immediate operational engagement.
- This position requires the filing of a Confidential Financial Disclosure Report (OGE Form 450).

Application Deadline:

June 10, 2016 at 11:59 p.m. EDT

Application Requirements and How to Apply:

To apply, please e-mail a resume with "S&T First Responders" in the subject line to loanedexecutive@hq.dhs.gov before 11:59 p.m. EDT of the deadline date.

Whom to Contact for Additional Information:

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Additional Content:

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