JOB TITLE: Senior Programme officer	
TEAM: Programme management department/International	LOCATION : Rome, with frequent travels
Programs and Advocacy	
SALARY: Gross Salary in a range of Euro 27.000 and 32.000	
according to the level of expertise and skills	
Child Safeguarding: Level 1	POST TYPE: National
Reports to: Head of portfolio management department	
Line management responsibility: no	

ROLE PURPOSE:

As member of the Portfolio Management Department, the Senior Programme Officer is responsible for the development, management and oversight of SC Italy *full spectrum* programme portfolio in the geographic area assigned by the head of department.

KEY AREAS OF ACCOUNTABILITY

- Key accountability for the implementation of SC Italy strategy in the assigned geographic area
- Coordinates SC Italy engagement in Countries and Regions from the different areas of IP&A
- Oversees and coordinates the "end to end" awards cycle
- Maximizes opportunities for the growth and development of SC Italy portfolio in the assigned geographic area, in line with the strategy
- Main interface with SCI Country office and Regional office staff
- Builds strong knowledge of in Country context and Country office structure and capacity; as such, builds a broad range of relations at Country and Regional programme level
- Contributes to the development of new practices and tools to streamline processes and improve quality and efficiency of work
- Provides programmatic information to feed into production of content for advocacy, technical and content management teams
- Leads on Country offices performance assessments
- Responsible for the oversight and monitoring of the budget of the assigned geographic area

Programme development

- Key responsibility in ensuring correlation between funded projects and SC Italy strategic priorities and direction
- Related to the above, approves opportunities on AMS and provides input in the Go/No Go Process
- Responsibility for maximizing funding opportunities for the development of the Regional portfolio, in line with the strategy and set growth objectives
- Revision and appraisal of project proposals, in coordination with technical and proposal development staff as appropriate
- Responsible for the final approval of institutional and private project proposals
- Main interface for SC Italy Corporate Donors team for the development of programme opportunities

Programme management

- Responsibility for the preparation and monitoring of SC Italy budget for one of the four geographic areas, including monitoring of funding allocations
- Oversight of SC Italy funded projects, monitoring progress of projects and providing input/advice to implementation teams in Country offices, as needed
- Responsible for programmatic feedbacks to project reports and for their final approval
- Responsible for ensuring general compliance with Donors requirements (no financial specific), including providing advice/support to COs
- Inputs into risk assessment process
- Liaises with technical team to ensure planning and coordination of relevant technical support in the programme within the Regional portfolio
- In collaboration with HR, carries out recruitment of project staff when needed

Financial specific:

- Responsible for project budgets monitoring, including monitoring of budget variances and assessing/approving amendments
- Responsible for consistency check between budgets and projects planning/narrative documentation
- Responsible for the substantial assessment of the financial report (over/underspent)
- Supports the Finance team in the final reconciliation, liaising with COs if necessary

Humanitarian

- Oversight of SC Italy humanitarian contributions in one of the four geographic Regions
- Participates to update calls related to the active emergency responses in the geographic area and recommends opportunities for SC Italy support
- Liaises with SC Italy roster focal point, collaborating to detecting opportunities for surge support in Countries and Regions
- As part of their full spectrum portfolio, responsible for programme management of institutional humanitarian projects; guarantees good knowledge of contexts and SCI programmatic approaches/needs assessments and acts as focal point for Institutional Donors Geographic Desks for the management of projects within their portfolio.

Person specification

- At least 5 years of working experience in development cooperation/humanitarian aid, in a programme management related position
- Overseas working experience of at least 2 years
- Fluent in Italian and English
- Flexibility to take on relevant tasks as needed and to adapt to an International NGO dimension