



Position: **Data Zetu Engagement Fellow (6 Positions)**

SUMMARY OF POSITION

Sahara Sparks seeks a Engagement Fellows (Six Positions) for a program focused on improving the production, coordination, management, use, and sharing of data in order to improve decision making at the subnational level. The program seeks to demonstrate how the data revolution can be mainstreamed to the subnational level by improving the capacity of institutions at that level to provide actionable data locally while enabling and increasing the participation of stakeholders to use data to improve services and lives. The program will specifically target priority areas at the village, ward, and district levels to support data producers and consumers within government, academia, private sector, media, civil society organizations, entrepreneurs, and other stakeholders.

Engagement Fellows are community catalysts who help mobilize people at the grassroots level to participate in Data Zetu activities. The Engagement Fellow is a part-time position for junior- and mid-level individuals who have relationships with community based organizations in the program's target wards. Engagement Fellows will be mobilized on an as-needed basis to identify potential data-related challenges with the CBOs and broker relationships between these CBOs and the Data Zetu program.

This position requires occasional travel to Dar es Salaam to attend fellow summit and travel between wards within the Data Zetu districts of interest.

SUMMARY OF RESPONSIBILITIES:

- You will be Data Zetu public face serving as an ambassador of the Data Zetu program to potential collaborators, including articulating clearly the Data Zetu value proposition and concrete mechanisms through which these collaborators can avail off the Data Zetu resources;
- Coordinate and host workshops, meetings, and other sessions with CBOs to identify their data challenges and cultivate ownership over the subsequent activities;
- Identify potential CBOs, individuals, and other stakeholders who might benefit from the Data Zetu program to improve their data use or address data-related challenges;
- Advise the Data Zetu team on specific intervention opportunities with these organizations, based on consultations, workshops, and the Fellow's own knowledge of the hyperlocal ecosystem;
- Contribute to communications efforts of the Data Zetu team, including to record and amplify activities;
- The engagement fellow will be required to document the learnings and share the experience during the quarterly fellow summits in Dar es Salaam.
- The engagement fellow will continue to be the contact point of the Data Zetu stakeholders even beyond the Data Zetu project.
- Fluent in Swahili but knowing the local language is added advantage.
- Help to set Data Zetu meetings with key community stakeholders.



- Work closely with other Data Zetu pillar directors and other Data Zetu partners.
- Participate in all reporting and evaluation activities as required.

SKILLS AND QUALIFICATIONS:

- You should be living in the Data Zetu targeted wards in the three selected projects districts; Temeke (Tandika, Mbagala, Mbagala Kuu or Makangarawe); Mbeya Town (Kalobe, Iyunga, Mabatini, Uyole, Iyela or Nzovwe) and Kyela (Ngana, Kyela, Mwaya or Matema).
- Bachelor Degree or Advanced Diploma can be an added advantage, preferably Community Development, Social Sciences, Education or any related field.
- You should have experience engaging with key community stakeholders in your district; Local Government Authorities (LGAs), Community Leaders, Community Based Organizations (CBOs), Civil Society Organizations (CSOs)
- Experience facilitating workshops and sessions with diverse stakeholders in order to co-define challenges and ideas;
- Familiarity with key local community-based organizations, NGOs, government programs, and health-related initiatives, as they pertain to data and information use;
- Ability to translate identified needs of a community into specific opportunities, in the context of the Data Zetu program;
- Understanding of local political economies and potential champions, in order to help the Data Zetu program prioritize beneficiaries at the hyperlocal level.
- Possess good communication skills.