

**CRDF GLOBAL**  
**REQUEST FOR INFORMATION (RFI)**  
**Subject Matter Experts in Chemical Security**

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**Summary:**

CRDF Global is seeking U.S. and international subject matter experts on topics related to chemical security for technical leadership at future training and educational engagements.

**Background:**

CRDF Global is an independent, nonprofit organization established in 1995 to promote international scientific and technical collaboration through grants, technical resources, training, and services. The organization specializes in bringing isolated scientific communities into the global scientific mainstream. CRDF Global has over 20 years of experience managing international research funding programs and supporting emerging science and technology infrastructure in more than 40 countries in Eurasia, the Middle East, North Africa and South Asia.

CRDF Global is based in Arlington, Virginia with offices and partners around the world.

More information is available at [www.crdfglobal.org](http://www.crdfglobal.org).

CRDF Global supports the U.S. Department of State's Chemical Security Program (CSP), whose mission is to strengthen global security by preventing terrorist attacks and access to weaponizable chemicals, weapons-applicable expertise, equipment, technologies, and related infrastructure.

More information is available at [www.csp-state.net](http://www.csp-state.net).

**Expertise Needed:**

CRDF Global has periodic and recurring needs for subject matter experts with diverse experience to support work and projects funded by CSP in the Middle East, North Africa, sub-Saharan Africa, and South and Southeast Asia. CRDF Global is seeking those who have expertise in one or more of the following topics in one or many of the regions listed above:

- Site security, access control, and inventory management;
- Insider threat and human reliability;
- Chemical risk assessment and management;
- Know your customer (KYC);
- Chemical transportation security;
- Chemical supply chain security;
- Chemical management voluntary initiatives (e.g. Responsible Care<sup>®</sup> and Responsible Distribution);
- International chemical security regulatory frameworks;
- Chemical security public-private collaboration;
- Building chemical security culture in academia and/or industry;
- Large-scale curriculum development and accreditation; and
- Chemical safety and security in petroleum and geoscience research.

Additionally, experts with experience traveling and/or working in the Middle East, North Africa, sub-Saharan Africa, and/or South and Southeast Asia are especially encouraged to respond, as are those who are proficient in one or more of the following languages: Arabic, French, Kurdish, Somali, Swahili, Turkish, and Urdu.

**Anticipated Scope, Tasks, and Deliverables:**

The scope of activities will vary depending on the specific need(s) of the grantee. CRDF Global will conduct specific requests for proposals (RFPs) for work and invite relevant responders from this RFI to submit proposals. Potential scopes could include:

1. Developing and presenting presentations on a specific chemical security related topic;
2. Facilitating breakout sessions, discussion based sessions and/or tabletop exercises for grantees from one or more countries;
3. Collaborating with international partners, CRDF Global staff, other contractors, and U.S. government personnel; and
4. Periodic and/or final reporting on work accomplished and recommendations for follow-on actions.

**Submission:**

CRDF Global requests that interested experts submit the following items:

- Curriculum vitae (CV)
- Statement of Interest to summarize:
  - chemical security technical expertise;
  - recent international experience in the subject matter area(s) of expertise, including in the regions/countries listed above;
  - preferred regions/countries listed above, if applicable
  - preferred subject matter area(s) to be involved in; and
  - preferred level of engagement (e.g. some subject matter experts are more comfortable with point 1 above (developing and presenting presentations), rather than being involved in point 2 (facilitating breakout sessions, discussion based sessions and/or tabletop exercises) while others are comfortable with doing both points 1 and 2).

The above-mentioned items should be submitted to [csprfi@crdfglobal.org](mailto:csprfi@crdfglobal.org) as attached documents in PDF, Word or Excel format with the title of the RFI and the applicant's last name in the email subject line.

**Questions:**

Questions regarding this request for information shall be submitted in writing by e-mail to [csprfi@crdfglobal.org](mailto:csprfi@crdfglobal.org).