Control Risks is a specialist risk consultancy that helps to create secure, compliant and resilient organisations in an age of ever-changing risk. Working across disciplines, technologies and geographies, everything we do is based on our belief that taking risks is essential to our clients’ success.

We provide our clients with the insight to focus resources and ensure they are prepared to resolve the issues and crises that occur in any ambitious global organisation.

We go beyond problem-solving and give our clients the insight and intelligence they need to realise opportunities and grow. From the boardroom to the remotest location, we have developed an unparalleled ability to bring order to chaos and reassurance to anxiety.

Our people

Working with our clients our people are given direct responsibility, career development and the opportunity to work collaboratively on fascinating projects in a rewarding and inclusive global environment.

Location

London

Engagement

Permanent, full time

Department

Global Risk Analysis

Manager

Associate Director, Global Issues

Job Purpose

The successful candidate will monitor, research and analyse international security, geopolitical and economic issues of concern to business, including: terrorism, armed conflict and direct action; trade and investment relations (including sanctions); economic development; and civil society developments.

The successful candidate will possess a strong, specialist academic and/or professional background in international relations and security, and an outstanding aptitude for thinking and writing analytically to a very high standard under tight deadlines. The candidate will have the ability to convey careful analytical judgment and complex information in a confident, persuasive and accessible manner to clients.

This is an excellent opportunity to work in a dynamic and intellectually outstanding team covering some of Control Risks’ most exciting issues.
Tasks and responsibilities

Subscription and retainer services
- Liaising and collaborating with the Associate Director and Global Risk Analysis editors to propose topics for Control Risks’ subscription and retainer services
- Researching and writing regular reports for Control Risks’ subscription and retainer services, seeking and incorporating feedback from senior reviewers
- Liaising with regional analysis teams and other Control Risks departments to seek/discuss views and align messaging
- Responding to client queries in a timely and accurate fashion
- Updating and maintaining static background sections for Control Risks’ subscription and retainer services
- Maintaining incident and event databases

Customised reports and projects
- Contributing to bespoke reports and consulting projects
- Assisting the Associate Director and other Control Risks departments and offices in proposing solutions for clients as appropriate

Knowledge management and internal support
- Maintaining expertise through routine specialist subject research
- Providing expertise and analytical support to other Global Risk Analysis regional desks and Control Risks departments and offices as needed
- Developing and maintaining government, academic, media and business contacts relevant to the role

Marketing and business development
- Identifying global and regional trends relevant to Control Risks’ client base and assisting the Associate Director in pursuing business opportunities as appropriate
- Contributing to company-wide promotional publications, press releases and sales initiatives as necessary
- Undertaking broadcast and print media work as necessary
- Attending specialist conferences, seminars and industry events on behalf of Control Risks

Knowledge and experience

Essential
- Proven experience of analytical writing, either for a publication or a commercial client audience, to strict deadlines

Preferred
- Previous professional experience of political and security risk analysis and/or consulting
- Specialist academic and/or professional understanding of global and transnational terrorism, particularly Islamist extremist terrorism
- Existing source and contact network relevant to the role
Qualifications and specialist skills

**Essential**
- Masters’ degree (or equivalent) in international relations, security studies, terrorism studies or a related field

**Preferred**
- Working knowledge of Arabic

Competencies

**Essential**
- Outstanding English-language verbal and written communication skills
- Excellent research, investigative and analytical skills
- Strong interpersonal and collaborative skills, including an ability to take and incorporate feedback
- Ability to handle multiple priorities and tight deadlines while interacting with colleagues and clients in sometimes challenging situations
- Willingness to take initiative and think laterally
- Ability to identify and interpret events and developments of potential interest or concern to Control Risks’ client base
- Capacity to develop a network of contacts, sources and clients (as appropriate)
- Familiarity with Microsoft Word, Excel and PowerPoint

**Preferred**
- Strong data analysis, manipulation and presentation skills
- Good public speaking and presentation skills

Behaviours

All employees are expected to display behaviours reflective of our company values: Integrity and Ethics, Collaboration and Teamwork, Commitment to People and Professionalism and Excellence.

How to apply

If your qualifications, experience and aspirations match our requirements, email a covering letter and CV, stating your current salary to gra.recruitment@controlrisks.com