Call for Experts: Makerspace, Industrial Automation & Electronics – Iraq

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Background

Field Ready is a global NGO focussed on enabling people to make the things they need, where they need them, when they need them - no matter how complicated the circumstances they live under. We are looking for experts to support their rapidly expanding work in Iraq. For more information, please visit www.fieldready.org.

We are currently setting up Mosul's first co-working and makerspace through the inspiring young tech community Mosul Space. We have also established Erbil's first fully functioning makerspace inside Re:Coded House, a forward looking co-working space for Erbil's tech and creative community.

Call for technical experts

We are looking for a person or persons to guide the team of bright young engineers in both spaces, through a combination of in-country visits (lasting 1-4 weeks) and remote support.

An ideal candidate would combine electronic system design, including GUI and embedded systems and experience designing systems for manufacture, with an ability to work in circuitry for physical computing, wearables, and the more craft side of electronics. We are also looking for people who understand operational and business models for makerspaces and can support the teams to develop theirs. (We already have 3D modelling and digital fabrication expertise, but at least basic skills in these topics would also be helpful.)

The experts must be able to mentor, develop syllabuses for training in their topics, and train others to lead training. Prior work with NGOs and donors, and/or start-ups or SMEs would be valuable. Fluency in written and spoken English is essential while Arabic and/or Kurdish useful.

How to Apply

We recognise we may not find one candidate to cover all areas, and welcome CVs and a brief cover letter from those who can speak to a significant proportion.

Applications will be taken on a rolling basis, but are highly encouraged by 31 May 2019 for work this year. For more information or to apply, contact via email: susan.long [at] fieldready.org