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# **Call for Application Review Panelists**

TechGirls is an international exchange program designed to empower and inspire young women from around the world to pursue careers in science and technology. The TechGirls team seeks short-term volunteers to join our application review panel helping select the brightest and best candidates for the 2024 summer U.S.-based program.

#### Are you...?

- Looking for an exciting, short-term volunteer opportunity that makes a big difference?
- Someone who believes in empowering young women with the skills needed to excel in STEM and who loves international exchange experiences?
- Ready to join a close-knit team that inspires and connects girls with this transformative experience to make a real difference in the lives of teens and young professionals worldwide?

#### Responsibility

For either a seasoned professional or a young adult that is interested in *international* exchanges, this volunteer opportunity offers a way to meaningfully contribute to a transformative project serving international youth and gain some insights into how international exchanges are developed.

- Support the application review and selection process of the 2024 TechGirls cohort • utilizing an online dashboard portal system.
- Review applications for technical eligibility and completeness. •
- Impartially assess quality of applications against established criteria
- Maintain confidentiality of applicants. ۲

## **Key Qualifications**

- Study, volunteer, or work experience in one or more of the TechGirls regions listed below
- Analytical capability
- Strong organizational skills
- Integrity, impartiality, and critical thinking, and an ability to identify one's internal bias.
- An ability to work independently while also working collaboratively on a team given the remote nature of the position
- Ability to effectively communicate verbally and in writing as well as via varied communications platforms (Google Suite/ Docs, Drop Box, Zoom, Skype Instant Messenger, etc.)
- Interest in or experience in STEM fields preferred.

## **Program Description**

TechGirls is a U.S.-based summer exchange program designed to empower and support young women (ages 15-17) from the United States and select countries around the world to pursue higher education and careers in science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM) fields through hands-on skills development training.

In 2024, the program will support 111 young women from 37 participating countries/territories and 13+ U.S. peers in a dynamic four-week U.S.-based experience with a seven-month mentoring program (including pre- and post-exchange).

The core of the 2024 summer program is a 24-day U.S. experience in the United States. In partnership with Virginia Tech, participants engage in an interactive tech camp that provides an in-depth examination of cutting-edge technologies and various educational and professional paths in STEM fields. Then, TechGirls travel to a city around the USA (Austin, Chicago, Cincinnati, Denver, Detroit, or Seattle) for community immersion and STEM career exploration.

The TechGirls programming yields a multiplier effect as participants return home to conduct community-based projects with seven months of mentorship.

TechGirls is an initiative of the U.S. Department of State's Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs.

*Eligible Countries*: TechGirls participants are competitively recruited and selected from the following regions/countries and territories (pending embassy approval; 3 teens per country):

- Sub-Saharan Africa (AF) Cameroon, Kenya, Nigeria, Rwanda, South Africa, and Zambia
- East Asia & Pacific (EAP) Cambodia, Fiji, Indonesia, Mongolia, Taiwan, and Vietnam
- Europe & Eurasia (EUR) Albania, Cyprus, Greece, Kosovo, Montenegro, and Türkiye
- Middle East & North Africa (NEA) Algeria, Egypt, Jordan, Lebanon, Morocco, Palestinian Territories, and Tunisia
- South & Central Asia (SCA) Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Pakistan, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, and Uzbekistan
- Western Hemisphere (WHA) Brazil, Costa Rica, Ecuador, Peru, Panama, and Suriname
- United States of America

#### **Additional Details**

- Hours & Compensation: This is a volunteer position. Schedule is determined by mutual agreement and discussed after one applies. We would like volunteers to commit to reviewing at least 200 applications during the 5-week review period, though there is no limit if you are able and willing to review more. We estimate that this could take you about 25-hours over the 5 weeks, or about 5-hours a week.
- Period will be December 8, 2023 January 14, 2024
- **Location:** Virtual remote work

#### To Apply:

Step 1: Fill out the Application Review Panelist form

Step 2: Legacy will be in touch with a decision by November 17th 2023.

**Step 3:** If selected as an Application Review Panelist, you will attend one of two training sessions. The sessions will be held over Zoom on Tuesday November 28 at 6:00pm EST or Thursday November 30 at 12:00pm EST.

Deadline: November 12, 2023

Legacy International is an Equal Opportunity Employer and seeks qualified applicants to represent diverse geographical, ethnic, religious, and economic backgrounds. Our goal is to select the most qualified leaders for each program. The competitive standards are set by each group of applicants. Only applicants meeting required qualifications for the position will be considered.