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## **Principal Scientist - Anthropologist, Sociologist, or Social Psychologist to do research on Digital Media in the Middle East**

Qatar Computing Research Institute (QCRI: <http://www.qcri.qa/>- based in Doha, Qatar) conducts world-class multidisciplinary computing research that is relevant to the needs of Qatar, the wider Arab region, and the world. We perform cutting-edge research in such areas as Arabic language technologies, data analytics, distributed systems, cyber security, computational science and engineering, and social computing/computational social science.

The Social Computing Group at QCRI is seeking candidates for a Principal Scientist (or Senior Scientist, depending on the qualifications of the candidate) position. The focus areas of the Social Computing group are (1) studying online media in multi-cultural societies, (2) using information and communication technologies for better health, (3) journalism, online news media and social media, and (4) computing for human development and crisis response.

### **Job Description**

QCRI is seeking to expand the Social Computing Group with a Principal Scientist (PS) who specifically focuses on Middle Eastern studies, with experience working with social media, or in general with digital media. Responsibilities include, but are not limited to:

- Serving as a senior departmental leader who is responsible for leading and conducting interdisciplinary research on social media and/or digital media in the Middle East.
- Maintaining primary responsibility for defining the methodology for conducting research and for evaluating research results in order to ensure the highest standards of practice and research quality, while aligning research activities with QCRI's mission and vision.

### **Education and Skills**

The candidate should hold a Ph.D. in Anthropology, Sociology, Social Psychology, Political Science, Behavioral Economics, or related field from a top-tier institution. Additional requirements include:

- Strong record of achievements, including publications in top-tier conferences and/or journals.
- Experience working with social media and/or digital media.
- Contributions to the community in the form of reviewing, mentoring students, organizing workshops, and tutorials.
- The candidate must be an experienced scientist with both theoretical and applied skills.
- Strong communication and collaboration skills.
- Must be fluent in English; proficiency in Arabic is a plus.

## **Research at QCRI**

QCRI supports Qatar Foundation's mission by helping to build Qatar's innovation and technology capacity. It is focused on tackling large-scale computing challenges that address national priorities for growth and development. Moreover, QCRI is a national research institute conducting world-class applied computing research that transforms the way we interact with each other, enables new discoveries, and accelerates development of society.

A proud member of Qatar Foundation for Education, Science and Community Development, QCRI is building a multidisciplinary research group in computer science with passion for innovation and excellence in research. The QCRI research program offers a collaborative, multidisciplinary team environment, endowed with a comprehensive support infrastructure.

QCRI offers a unique opportunity for strong research careers and highly competitive compensation including attractive tax-free salary and additional benefits such as furnished accommodation, annual paid leave, and medical insurance, among other benefits.

To apply, please click <http://www.qcri.qa/join-us/apply-now/apply-now> and select “**Social Computing- Principal Scientist (Anthropologist-Sociologist-Social Psychologist).**”

## **Research in Qatar**

Qatar has made a commitment to be a leading center for research and development excellence and innovation. Home to a globally regarded scientific research funding organization, a world-class hub for technology innovation and commercialization, and prominent research institutes operating at the frontiers of science, Qatar Foundation Research and Development is spearheading a national endeavor to fulfill this commitment.

The country is home to branch campuses of numerous world-renowned universities such as Carnegie Mellon University, Texas A&M University and Georgetown University, major oil and gas companies, telecommunication companies, and international media organizations such as Al Jazeera. These local institutions offer opportunities for research collaboration to tackle new computing research challenges of practical importance.

