

Towards sound entrepreneurship in Rwanda

HEAD OF IMPACT AND COMMUNICATION

Open Position

Applications are ongoing

Location **Kigali**



Are you a visionary leader ready to shape the future of entrepreneurial success? At BPN Rwanda, we're on a mission to empower businesses through our dynamic business development services. As the Director of Administration, Human Resources, and Finance, you'll play a pivotal role in driving operational excellence and innovation. If you're passionate about making a profound impact in a forwardthinking organization, apply now and be part of our journey to transform the entrepreneurial landscape.

ABOUT BPN

BPN stands for Business Professionals Network. It is a Swiss non-profit organization that strives to support the development of Small and Mediumsized Enterprises (SMEs), in order to create jobs and fight poverty. BPN provides Coaching, Capacity building as well as networking opportunities to SMEs so they can grow their businesses sustainably.

• JOB OVERVIEW:

The Head of Impact & Communications plays a pivotal role in driving BPN Rwanda's mission by strategically leading two core functions: Monitoring & Evaluation (M&E) and Marketing & Communications. This role ensures that BPN captures, analyzes, and communicates the measurable impact of its entrepreneurial development services, and tells compelling, data-driven stories to key stakeholders. The ideal candidate combines strong analytical acumen in M&E with the creativity and clarity of a seasoned communications strategist.



Key Responsibilities

1. Strategic Leadership (20%):

- Provide vision and direction for the integration of M&E and Communications, ensuring alignment with BPN's mission and strategy.
- Champion a culture of evidence-based decision making and impact-driven communication.
- Serve as a thought partner to the Country Director and contribute to strategic planning, fundraising, and positioning of BPN Rwanda.
- Represent BPN in relevant national and international forums related to impact and communications.

2. Monitoring, Evaluation, Learning & Impact (35%):

- Lead the design and implementation of robust M&E systems, tools, and frameworks (e.g., Theory of Change, KPIs, logical frameworks).
- Gather market insights to inform BPN programming
- Publish public reports showcasing BPN's impact
- Oversee data collection, analysis, and reporting processes to measure program performance and outcomes.
- Support strategic research initiatives and ecosystem assessments to inform program design and policy positioning.
- Collaborate with internal teams and external stakeholders to capture learning, feedback, and insights.
- Produce timely impact reports and ensure all M&E activities are compliant with donor and national standards.
- Guide and mentor the M&E team (officer and junior) to build capacity and improve performance.

3. Communications & Marketing (30%):

- Ensure all external communication is grounded in evidence and impact, and tailored to relevant audiences (donors, entrepreneurs, partners).
- Oversee marketing campaigns to promote BPN services, events, and entrepreneurial success stories.
- Manage relationships with media, creative agencies, and communications service providers.
- Strengthen internal communications to improve information flow and team cohesion.



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4. Team Management & Capacity Building (10%):

- Supervise and coach a cross-functional team, including M&E and Communications staff.
- Conduct performance reviews, identify training needs, and provide opportunities for professional development.
- Foster collaboration, innovation, and high performance across the team.

5. Risk, Compliance & Quality Assurance (5%):

- Ensure ethical standards in research, communications, and data management.
- Monitor risks and ensure mitigation strategies are in place across M&E and communications functions.
- Establish protocols for quality assurance in reporting and messaging.





Skills, Qualifications, and Experience

Education	 Master's or bachelor's degree in Monitoring & Evaluation, Development Studies, Communications, Marketing, Economics, Statistics, or related fields.
Experience	 At least 7 years of experience in M&E, communications, or a combination of both, with a minimum of 3 years in a leadership role. Proven experience in managing teams, developing M&E frameworks, and leading impact communication strategies. Experience working in the entrepreneurial ecosystem or development sector is an added advantage.
Attitude	 At BPN we expect every employee to proactively practice, nurture and strengthen the following key aspects of his or her working attitude: Have a learning attitude and be the driver of your own development process Be an active listener Be an entrepreneur centric
	 Strive to perform and deliver beyond strict job content with a high ownership
Attitude	Knowledge of different evaluation methodologies, including quantitative and qualitative research techniques
	 Familiarity with impact evaluation frameworks like the Theory of Change, Results Frameworks, and Logic Models. High understanding of the challenges and dynamics of entrepreneurship and business development services Strong analytical skills and high data-driven decision-making skills Excellent verbal and written communication skills in English, Kinyarwanda and French would be an added advantage. Excellent writing and presentation skills. A team player with good interpersonal skills. Demonstrate solid work ethics Good leadership and management skills
Other competencies	 Strong knowledge of M&E tools, data analysis software, and reporting systems Excellent verbal and written communication skills in English; Kinyarwanda and French are a plus Strong storytelling, branding, and stakeholder engagement capabilities High-level analytical and strategic thinking Confident project management and leadership skills Empathetic team leader with a collaborative mindset





Applications are on a rolling basis

Please note that due to high demand, only shortlisted candidates will be contacted.