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Now hiring: Kurdistan correspondent – Erbil, Iraq

Iraq Oil Report is the industry-leading source of news and information about Iraq, its people, and its oil. We are looking to hire an Erbil-based correspondent, whose primary responsibility will be to lead Iraq Oil Report's presence in the Kurdistan region. This person will join a successful, growing and dynamic start-up news organization, with primary responsibility for reporting and writing stories from the booming Kurdistan region of Iraq. He or she will also share a broad range of duties with the rest of the editorial team, including editing, story planning, production of regular features, and information gathering in support of custom research. The ideal candidate is experienced in western-style journalism; knows the energy industry and Iraq; and can write clear, accurate, and fast copy in English.

Duties:

- Report from Kurdistan region, in coordination with Iraq Oil Report's country Bureau Chief and Managing Editor. Expectations include:
 - Write at least one story per week.
 - Send daily news bites and project updates to Baghdad bureau, based on regular outreach to company and government officials and other sources.
 - Feed all reporting notes and information into central editorial pool, for use in other stories and custom research.
 - Develop sources throughout region and across sectors.
 - Do all of the above as assigned and on own initiative.
- Assist in editorial and planning process as part of global editorial staff, as assigned and on own initiative.
- Share editorial and site maintenance responsibilities, as assigned and on own initiative, to include:
 - Editing stories produced by Baghdad bureau and others.
 - Write stories based on reporting from stringers in other provinces.
 - Post stories to site using content management system.
- Share responsibilities for production and editing of regular Iraq Oil Report features, including Beyond the Headlines (weekly roundup of smaller news items from around Iraq) and Daily Brief (daily aggregation of Iraq articles from around the internet).
- Occasionally work from Baghdad, especially to fill in for Baghdad Bureau Chief as necessary.
- Other duties as assigned.
- Outreach to and development of potential subscribers, advertisers and custom research clients.
- Participate in developing custom research services, news and other revenue stream enhancements.



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Qualifications:

- Minimum 2 years of experience as a full-time reporter.
- Experience covering either the energy sector or Iraq and the region, or both.
- Excellent English language and journalistic writing skills.

Compensation:

- Based on experience and meeting qualifications.

About Iraq Oil Report:

We are an American company with a primary news bureau in Baghdad and a footprint in all of Iraq's provinces. Our readers are oil company officials, business people, diplomats, investment and political risk analysts, and Iraqi government officials. Since the launch of our Baghdad bureau in 2009, we have provided our readers with top-quality news reporting and analysis about not only the oil sector but also politics, security, business, and social trends.

Our flagship product is our daily news reporting, which is available by subscription on our website. We also provide a custom research service, through which clients can leverage our information-gathering network to get ground-level answers to their questions.

The Iraq Oil Report team consists of a half dozen western editors, reporters, and support staff, based in both Baghdad and the U.S. We also employ dozens of Iraqis who report, translate, and otherwise enable our information gathering throughout the country. In the wake of the U.S. de-escalation and withdrawal in Iraq, as western news bureaus are reducing their staff or packing up shop altogether, Iraq Oil Report is in the country for the long haul. Our overarching mission is to answer the otherwise unmet need for top-quality information about the single most important topic affecting the future of Iraq.

To apply:

Please send a resume, cover letter, and a half dozen clips to contact@iraqoilreport.com. Subject should read: Kurdistan correspondent. We are accepting applications through April 15, 2012.