Becka Kindler



Professional profile

Becka Kindler is a Consultant in the FCAS practice. During her time at Itad she has worked across a range of areas including humanitarian assistance, migration, and policy and advocacy. With a focus on utilisation focus evaluations, Becka has experience delivering portfolio and fund-level evaluations, value for money assessments and quality assurance assessments. In her role as a Consultant, she also works to manage project deliverables, contracts, financial monitoring and client engagement.

Prior to joining Itad, Becka studied at the University of Sussex, completing an MA in Conflict, Security and Development. Her thesis focused on the 'hostile environment' immigration policy in the UK and the wider European strategy towards immigration. She continues to focus her research interests on migration, policy analysis and, insecurity and violence affect development.

Nationality British

Languages English (Mother Tongue), Spanish (Intermediate)

Country experience

Australia, Honduras, United Kingdom

Education

2018 – 2019 MA. Conflict, Security and Development

University of Sussex

2012 - 2016 BA. Spanish and Politics

Cardiff University

Employment

2021-Present Consultant

Itad, UK

2019 - 2021 Research Analyst

Itad, UK

2019 - 2020 Volunteer Coordinator, Volunteer

Care4Calais, UK

2018 HR Advisor

Commonwealth Bank of Australia, Australia

2016 - 2017 Volunteer

Progresio, Honduras

Project experience

2020 - Present

Strategic Positioning Evaluation of the UNICEF Afghanistan Country Programme

Role: Core Team Support | Client: FCDO | Location: UK

The overall aim of this Strategic Positioning Evaluation (SPE) is to assess how well the Afghanistan Country Programme (ACP) has contributed to the achievement of UNICEF's goals and mandate in terms of strategy, approaches and programme implementation. Itad's evaluation is formative by design, focusing on analysis and evaluative judgements that will help to shape future activities and decisions to strengthen implementation and improve future performance.

Role: Providing Technical support to team across all workstreams, including in tool design and administration (Surveys, Evaluation Assessment Matrix.)

2020 - Present

Humanitarian Global Services Programme MEAL: Real time monitoring

Role: Project manager and Technical Support | Client: FCDO | Location: UK

Itad has been contracted to deliver the Monitoring, Evaluation and Learning (MEAL) Component of the HGS Programme launched by DFID in May 2018. Under the MEAL component of this £7m global programme, our activities will contribute to reinforcing MEAL frameworks, streamlining MEAL systems, generating evidence and learning, and capturing outcomes for HGS actors.

Role: Responsible for overseeing operational aspects of the Itad team's work and liaising with the client. Coordinating communications and workplan with partners. Supporting the team leader in technical work including desk research on best practice and developing guidance and tools for MEAL.

2020 - 2021

A review of Porticus' grant-making portfolios

Role: Research Analyst | Client: Porticus Foundation | Location: UK

Itad lead a review of the Porticus Foundation's 12 grant-making portfolios, including human trafficking and migration portfolios. Our evaluation was utilization-focused and operationalised through four interconnected modules: strategy assessment, implementation assessment, effectiveness assessment, and analysis and synthesis portfolio review.

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Role: Providing support on the review of Porticus' education and societies sector through desk-based research, leading key informant interviews and survey data collection. Also, facilitation of co-creation workshops to develop recommendations and inputs into portfolio level and synthesis reports.

2019 - Present

Impact evaluation of the EU-IOM Joint Initiative for Migrant Protection and Reintegration in the Horn of Africa.

Role: Core Team Support | Client: IOM | Location: UK

Itad has been commissioned by IOM to carry out this impact evaluation to assess the impact of reintegration activities with migrant returnees and to build M&E capacity of IOM.

Role: Supporting quantitative and qualitative research activities.

2019 - 2021

External Evaluation of BMGF's Family Planning Advocacy Portfolio

Role: Research Analyst | Client: Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation | Location: UK

Itad has been contracted to conduct a portfolio review of the family planning advocacy efforts of the BMGF's Policy, Advocacy and Communications (PAC) team. The purpose of this evaluation was to look back over the past five years and assess what has been achieved through the FP advocacy portfolio and make recommendations on where BMGF should most strategically invest its efforts moving forward.

Role: Providing cross-cutting support to develop evaluation tools, qualitative data coding of secondary data, supporting the wider team with data analysis, providing written inputs into project deliverables.

2019 - Present

Third Party Monitoring and Evaluation Agent

Role: Research Analyst | Client: Public Health England | Location: UK

Itad is supporting PHE's IHR Programme to generate the intended outcomes and impact as the third-party monitoring and evaluation agent. We are adopting a utilisation-focused approach based on interrogating a refined theory of change, to explore the contribution of PHE's capacity building and coordination activities to outcomes within the context of national health protection systems.

Role: Working closely with the project manager, to provide research and analysis support. Supporting the collation and classification of secondary data, leading coding of key documents, and conducti

2019 - 2020

Provision of Post-Hoc Quality Assessment & Annual Summary Report Services

Role: Research Analyst | Client: World Food Programme | Location: UK

Itad was selected by the WFP to design and implement a new, integrated PHQA system over a four-and-a-half-year period. The team provided annual reports to WFP which summarised PHQA assessment findings across centralised and decentralised reports, highlights comparability across quality criteria; and provides recommendations for how to strengthen the quality of WFP's centralised and decentralised evaluations.

Role: Responsible for collating and summarising quality assessment and annual summary reports for public use. Supporting analysis and synthesis of quality assurance assessments.

2019-2020

UK Public Health Rapid Support Team, Performance Evaluation and Independent Monitoring

Role: Research Analyst | Client: Public Health England | Location: UK

Itad has been contracted to conduct a performance evaluation and ongoing independent monitoring to support programme delivery for the UK-PHRST. As an external partner, the team's role is to provide a critical and constructive review of programme delivery, recommend improvements, evaluate results and complement the UK-PHRST internal monitoring processes.

Role: Providing support to the workstream leads in data collection, coding and analysis. Supporting to develop evaluation and verification tools.