

## Research Analyst

### Professional profile

Rebecca Kindler is a Research Analyst in the Governance and Institutional Strengthening practice. During her time at Itad she has worked across a range of areas including international health systems strengthening, humanitarian assistance and, policy and advocacy. With a focus on utilisation focus evaluations, Becca has experience delivering portfolio and fund-level evaluations, value for money assessments and quality assurance assessments. In her role as an RA, she also supports Itad consultants in all areas of project management, contracts and financial monitoring.

Prior to joining Itad, Rebecca 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.

<b>Nationality</b>	British
<b>Languages</b>	English (Mother Tongue), Spanish (Intermediate)
<b>Country experience</b>	Australia, Honduras, United Kingdom

### Education

<b>2018 – 2019</b>	<b>MA. Conflict, Security and Development</b> University of Sussex
<b>2012 - 2016</b>	<b>BA. Spanish and Politics</b> Cardiff University

### Employment

<b>2019 - Present</b>	<b>Research Analyst</b> Itad, UK
<b>2019 - Present</b>	<b>Volunteer Coordinator, Volunteer</b> Care4Calais, UK
<b>2018</b>	<b>HR Advisor</b> Commonwealth Bank of Australia, Australia
<b>2016 - 2017</b>	<b>Volunteer</b> Progresio, Honduras

### Project experience

<b>2019 - Present</b>	<b>External Evaluation of BMGF's Family Planning Advocacy Portfolio</b> 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. With the current 2014-2019 FP advocacy strategy coming to an end and the PAC FP team entering a strategy refresh, it is an opportune time to evaluate the portfolio. As such, the purpose of this evaluation is 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. Within this, a specific focus will be given to understanding the role of Youth Led Advocacy and how it can best be used to achieve advocacy objectives. 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
<b>2019 - Present</b>	<b>Third Party Monitoring and Evaluation Agent</b> 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. The purpose of this evaluation is to ensure that the UK-PHRST is having its intended impact by focusing on quality assurance and accountability and the facilitation of learning and adaptive management in order to improve programme decision-making and performance. As an external partner, our role is to provide a critical and constructive review of programme delivery, recommend improvements, evaluate results and complement the UK-PHRST internal monitoring processes.

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

### 2019 - Present **Provision of Post-Hoc Quality Assessment & Annual Summary Report Services**

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

Itad has been selected by the WFP to design and implement this new, integrated PHQA system over a four-and-a-half-year period. The Itad team has prepared the PHQA template, which they will then use to deliver up to 50 evaluation reports annually. In addition, they will provide an annual report to WFP which summarises 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 **UK Public Health Rapid Support Team, Performance Evaluation and Independent Monitoring**

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. The company has categorised the Evaluation and Verification Questions into three segments, asking whether the IHR Programme is doing the right things, in the right way, to achieve the right results. 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 close to the project manager, to provide research and analysis support. Supporting the collation and classification of secondary data and coding.