

## Research Analyst

### Professional profile

Betsie Lewis joined Itad in autumn 2019 as a Research Analyst in our Fragile and Conflict-Affected Settings theme. Betsie holds an MSc in International Development: Poverty, Conflict and Reconstruction from the University of Manchester (global development institute) having previously gained a BA in French and Arabic. As part of her undergraduate studies, Betsie completed an environmental internship in Morocco where she worked on raising environmental awareness through community projects. Following this, she lived in Jordan for six months where she studied full time and volunteered in the field with multiple projects providing aid to refugee communities (mostly Zaatari refugee camp).

Whilst at university, Betsie volunteered as a researcher for grassroots community groups working to support refugee groups and asylum seekers across Manchester and volunteered as a caseworker for asylum seekers in Merseyside.

Betsie speaks French, German, Arabic and English. She has country-experience in the Middle East and North Africa including Jordan, Palestine and Morocco.

<b>Nationality</b>	British
<b>Languages</b>	English (native), French (fluent), German (good), Arabic (intermediate)
<b>Country experience</b>	Jordan, Palestine, Morocco, Democratic Republic of the Congo

### Education

<b>2018 – 2019</b>	<b>Msc International Development: Poverty, Conflict and Reconstruction</b> The University of Manchester, UK
<b>2014 - 2018</b>	<b>First class BA honours in French and Arabic with a distinction in spoken Arabic</b> The University of Manchester, UK

### Employment

<b>2019 - Present</b>	<b>Research Analyst</b> Itad Ltd, UK
<b>2014 - 2019</b>	<b>Various Roles</b> The University of Manchester
<b>2019</b>	<b>Volunteer Researcher</b> Manchester Refugee Rights Collective, UK
<b>2018</b>	<b>Volunteer</b> Help Refugees, Calais France
<b>2017 - 2018</b>	<b>Volunteer Case worker</b> Refugee Women Connect, UK
<b>2017</b>	<b>Media and Communications Intern</b> Jordan Education for Employment, Jordan
<b>2017</b>	<b>Volunteer</b> Questscope, Zaatari Refugee Camp, Jordan
<b>2016</b>	<b>Environmental Intern</b> Amuddu, Morocco

### Project experience

<b>2020-Present</b>	<b>Evaluation of the UK Caribbean Infrastructure Fund</b> Role: Research Analyst   Client: DFID   Location: UK The UKCIF is a £300 million fund which provides infrastructure grants in eight Caribbean countries. This programme aims to encourage economic growth in these countries, support improved livelihoods and reduce poverty. Betsie supports the team through data collection, synthesis, and contributes to report writing.
<b>2020-Present</b>	<b>Evaluation of the Global Partnership for Sustainable Development Data</b> Role: Research Analyst   Client: Hewlett Foundation Location: UK The Global Partnership for Sustainable Development Data is an independent multi-stakeholder network harnessing the data for sustainable development. This network consists of multiple global users including governments, companies, international organisations and civil society groups. Betsie supports the team through data collection and research.

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2020-Present

### **Evaluation of the YUNUS Social Business Model to Promote Social Entrepreneurship in India and Kenya**

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

YUNUS Social Business Funds local and social businesses' that provide employment, education, healthcare, clean water and energy. Betsie has supported the team throughout the evaluation's inception phase, collecting, analysing and synthesising data, as well as contributing to report writing and reviews.

2019- 2020

### **Evaluation of Sida's Strategic Partnership for Humanitarian Assistance**

Role: Research Analyst | Client: Sida | Location: UK/ Democratic Republic of the Congo

Itad was commissioned by the Swedish International Development Cooperation Agency to evaluate Sida's strategic humanitarian partner organisations. As a research analyst for this project Betsie helped analyse data during the desk review, but also the collection of data in the field. In addition to her role as analyst Betsie also played a key role in the coordination and organisation of the teams visit to DRC.