

The foundation for Latin American Indian Aid – 'Freundeskreis Indi-

anerhilfe e.V.' (FKI) — is a non-profit organization. The group succeeding the "German Aid for the Albert Schweitzer Hospital" was founded 50 years ago and supports needy indigenous peoples in Mexico, the Amazon jungle in Peru and in the Bolivian highlands. Our goal is to engage in self-help assistance. By now it has already been possible to hand over earlier medical projects in Mexico (Santa Ana Nichi Clinic) and in Peru (Posta de Salud Puerto Inca and Cahuapanas Clinic). In these locations we today just have to support our local *Promotores de*

Salud, the bilingual schools and their teachers. Our main project "Tucunaré" is on the Rio Chambira — a journey of three days away from Iquitos. A team of physicians works in a simple jungle hospital and serves the surrounding villages on three different rivers.



Job profile Rio Chambira Project, Peru

Profile Applicants: Two persons, in a stable relationship, one (at least)

has a medical degree

Job location: A clinic in the amazon basin, 200 km Northwest from

Iquitos

Duration: 24 Months

Description of the Project at the Rio Chambira

The project at the Rio Chambira exists since 1998. The ethnic group living in the area is called Urarina. They speak their own language but most of the men speak a few words Spanish as well. The area attended by the clinic is enormous. The number of inhabitants is estimated at

3500 people. The diagnostic and therapeutic measures are limited and basic. Frequent medical problems are respiratory tract infections,

diarrhea, malaria (Plasmodium vivax and falciparum) and skin infections. Care for pregnant women and newborns are an important part of the daily work. The clinic frequently teaches basic health care workers (Promotores de Salud) in 4-day courses. These *Promotores de*



Salud are the cornerstones of our self-help assistance. By training them we are building for an autonomous future of the Urarina. Our work is always in coordination with the local government and health workers.

Qualifications

- One (at least) has a medical degree and three years of working experience
- Advanced written and oral communication skills in Spanish
- Ability to work under basic conditions and diagnose with limited equipment
- Positive and flexible attitude
- Ability to work as a part of a multicultural team
- Prepared to take malaria prophylaxis for a long period

Salary

Both will be contracted and each one receives 1400€ gross

Further information & Application

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