



**U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE
VIRTUAL FELLOWS PROGRAM
PROJECT DESCRIPTION – DRL/SHR**



This project seeks a Virtual Fellow to serve with the **Office of Security & Human Rights, Bureau of Democracy, Human Rights & Labor (DRL/SHR)** as **Security Policy and Strategic Planning Advisor**.

Fellow Location: The Fellow will serve virtually and will not be physically located at the Department of State.

Project Name: Security & Human Rights Strategy and Policy

Project Description: The Virtual Fellow will perform research and serve as an advisor to the following areas:

- Development and implementation of strategy and policy planning of the SHR office;
- Brand and mission of SHR office within USG, Academia, Think Tanks, and Defense Industry;
- Emerging and Current Defense Technologies and Human Rights.

Program Requirements: The precepts of the Virtual Fellows Program call for Fellows to have a high degree of administrative, professional, or technical knowledge/experience and a minimum of five years of professional experience that is directly applicable to the assigned task.

Project-specific Knowledge, Skills, or Abilities:

- Strategic Planning experience;
- Experience and knowledge of security/defense industry;
- Understanding of the relationship between defense and diplomacy;
- Understanding of U.S. human rights policies.

Clearance: The Fellow must be a U.S. citizen and must receive a security clearance prior to starting his/her service. The Virtual Fellows Program staff will work with the accepted candidate to obtain the security clearance. (Note: A candidate is NOT required to have a security clearance prior to applying for this project.)

Remuneration: The Virtual Fellow will be appointed to the federal civil service as an intermittent, unpaid consultant. The Department assumes no responsibility for providing any salary or benefits to the Fellow in connection with his/her participation in the Program.