**Job Title**  
Researcher

**Work Location**  
Utrecht, The Netherlands.

**Organization and overall purpose**

The Access to Nutrition Initiative is an independent, not-for-profit organization based in the Netherlands. We publish consistent, standardized analysis and commentary on food and beverage manufacturers’ efforts to improve consumers’ access to nutritious foods and beverages, both globally and in Spotlight countries.

Every country in the world is affected by malnutrition with 88% of countries facing overlapping burdens. Globally one in three people are either undernourished, overweight or obese. Over the last 35 years, obesity has more than doubled and has now reached epidemic proportions. Over the next 10 years, undernutrition is also set to continue to increase in some countries.

Our vision is a world where:

- No one goes to bed hungry.
- Everyone eats a healthy, affordable diet that has the nutrients they need to grow and develop fully.
- Deaths and illnesses from diets low in essential vitamins and minerals are confined to history.

Our aim is to drive change by tracking and driving the food industry’s attempts to tackle obesity, diet-related chronic diseases and undernutrition at the local and global levels. We design and deliver a range of private sector accountability tools, using our own research, experience and the knowledge of our growing global stakeholder network. Every action we take is intended to encourage businesses to do more to achieve good health through improved diets and nutrition.

We pride ourselves on being innovative and collaborative and are increasingly working on new accountability tools and embarking on other bespoke research, establishing new partnerships with investors, not-for-profits and foundations.

For more information on ATNI, please visit our website [www.accesstonutrition.org](http://www.accesstonutrition.org)

**The role**

To strengthen the research team, currently consisting of 6 Researchers, the Research Director, Senior Research Manager and Senior Researcher, ATNI is looking for a Researcher to complement the team.

Together with other Researchers and together with external researchers and consultants, the Researcher will play a role in data collection, analysis, report writing and dissemination of the results. Together with the Research Director and Senior Researcher and in consultation with external expert groups, consisting of leading experts in the nutrition field, the Researcher will play a key role in stakeholder engagement amongst other with the various expert groups.

The work of the Research Team is tightly integrated with the Program Management team, Communications and other functions within ATNI.

The position will be based in Utrecht, the Netherlands, and ATNI has a hybrid working environment. The Researcher will be reporting directly to the Senior Researcher.

This is a unique opportunity to have a substantial positive impact on improving global health by helping to fundamentally shape the nutrition standards and practices of the largest food and beverage manufacturers globally.
Duties & responsibilities (but not limited to)

- **Data collection and research:** together with the research team, research the policies, commitments, practices and disclosure of major F&B companies for the ATNI Global Indexes, India & Nigeria Spotlight Indexes and other initiatives ATNI may develop.
- **Reporting and writing:** translate data and research findings into ATNI publications and reports (in close collaboration and alignment with the Senior Researcher, Research Director and Program Managers (responsible for program outreach and stakeholder engagement)).
- **Data-platform management:** Quality checks of data and overseeing the online data collection platform of ATNI (in collaboration with ATNI's external data platform developers).
- **Organizational development:** contribute to improving efficient data collection and analysis, data management and quality management processes in the team and organization.

Job requirements

Minimum requirements:

- Master’s degree in a relevant discipline (public health, nutrition, business, development, sustainability/CSR).
- At least 1-3 years of work experience in ESG/sustainability research (within an ESG research company, investment organization or ESG/CSR consulting firm) or in-depth research into companies’ business and nutrition practices.
- Affiliation / Knowledge of nutrition issues as they apply to the F&B sector. Experience in leading projects and project research teams is a plus.

Education:
Master’s degree (MBA, MPA, MPH, MSc or similar degrees).

Skills required:

- Proven research and data analysis skills, with attention to detail and consistency. Experience with benchmarking approaches is an advantage.
- The ability to analyse written information (e.g. company policies, reports etc).
- Proven ability to write clear and consistent reports based on research findings.
- Excellent written and spoken English.
- Good planning and self-organization skills.
- Good communication skills to facilitate internal and external communication related to the ATNI research process. Experience in research interaction with commercial parties is an advantage.
- Good IT skills including use of data-management platforms and Microsoft products (Excel, PowerPoint and Word) to present information.

Qualities required:

- Highly motivated, self-directed and adaptable. Able to work on multiple projects in parallel.
- Strongly committed to addressing the world’s nutrition challenges and an interest and willingness to (further) develop expertise in relevant areas of nutrition.
- Team-player: able to work as part of a growing team, collaboratively and flexibly.
- Understand the challenges/limitations of working for a small NGO.

Special requirements:

- Existing necessary permits and approvals to work in the EU.

Application process:

- Applications are accepted on a rolling basis.
- How to apply: Send a cover letter and max 2-page CV to Senior Researcher Laura Trijsburg: laura.trijsburg@accessionnutrition.org. Also for enquiries you can contact Laura Trijsburg.
- Interviews will be conducted over Microsoft Teams.