

ECONOMIC POLICY RESEARCH CENTRE



The Economic Policy Research Centre (EPRC) is Uganda's leading economics research institution. Its mandate is to provide research and other forms of analytical support to Uganda's development process. EPRC uses resources from the African Capacity Building Foundation (ACBF), Government of Uganda and ThinkTank Initiative (TTI) under the International Development Research Centre (IDRC). The Centre is searching for a qualified person with sound professional integrity to fill the position of Principal Research Fellow in its structure to meet the increasing demand for evidence-based policy formulation in Uganda. The Centre is also soliciting for proposals from reputable firms to provide services for internal audit function and EPRC website re-design

VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

1. **Principal Research Fellow (1 post, Re-advertised).** Those who applied earlier for this position need not re-apply. Their applications shall be considered

Duties

- a) Deputizes the Executive Director
- b) Coordinates research agenda that stimulate ideas for addressing development challenges of Uganda,
- c) Manages and coordinates the timely implementation of the Centre's research agenda
- d) Provides guidance to the Centre's knowledge management
- e) Undertake research in areas of his/her expertise
- f) Engage in commissioned work for and on behalf of the Centre
- g) Implement research and capacity building/staff development activities
- h) Identify opportunities for the most efficient and effective collaborative use of research by the Centre's stakeholders
- i) Mentor, supervise and manage researchers' performance
- j) Coordinate a systematic environmental scanning of available data analysis, presentation tools, best practises
- k) Ensure effective participation of the Centre in development policy discourse
- l) Market the Centre and solicit funds from various development partners through proposal writing and grant applications to support the Centre's activities

Requirements:

- a) Excellent academic background with a Ph.D. in Economics or any related area in economics (by coursework and research) from a reputable University
- b) Strong training background in theory and methods of economic analysis
- c) Excellent writing and presentation skills
- d) A minimum of five (5) years of postdoctoral research work experience
- e) Considerable experience in public policy analysis and research as well as knowledge management
- f) Strong track record peer-reviewed publication
- g) Experience of successful management and leadership of a research team working on large research projects
- h) Experience of designing and implementing policy oriented research
- i) Significant record of innovative and influential work, demonstrated by lead authorship of peer reviewed publications
- j) Well developed leadership skills including the ability to lead in a team work environment
- k) Willingness and ability to work under tight deadlines in a competitive environment
- l) High-level interpersonal skills and good communication skills
- m) Professional experience of working in a reputable research institutions
- n) Unquestionable integrity
- o) A qualification in management will be an added advantage

The Principal Research Fellow position is for three year contract, with a possibility for renewal, subject to satisfactory performance. Attractive and internationally competitive remuneration package including healthcare coverage is offered.

EPRC is an equal opportunity employer and offers a competitive package including health cover. Applications for Principal Research Fellow position, including detailed curriculum vitae; names and addresses of three (3) referees (at least one of whom must be a current/former employer), and photocopies of credentials should be sent to the address below **not later than Friday, November 25, 2011, 5 p.m.**

Applicants should indicate clearly on top of the envelope the position applied for. Only shortlisted candidates shall be contacted.