

Lead Regional Researcher for North Africa

Company:

University of the Witwatersrand

Location:

South Africa / Johannesburg

Discipline:

Economics, Development Studies, International Development, Non-Profit Management and/or Philanthropic Studies, Behavioural Sciences, Statistics, Social Sciences, Data Science and Public Policy Studies

Employment Type:

Permanent Full-time

Posted:

11/09/2024

Contact Person:

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African Philanthropy and Social Investment

Applications should be submitted in English only

Wits Business School (www.wbs.ac.za) - University of the Witwatersrand

The Wits Business School (WBS) is internationally recognised and accredited. It has spearheaded innovation, teaching and research excellence in South African and African business for over 50 years. The school is based in the economic hub of South Africa and is in easy proximity of the country's most vibrant cities. Our faculty come from over ten different countries, are predominantly African, but are also from the US, UK, Holland and Germany. Over 95% of our full time faculty are PhD qualified, and the majority of our full professors are NRF rated researchers.

The Centre on African Philanthropy and Social Investment (CAPSI) is based at WBS, offers training in philanthropic studies, conducts research on philanthropy and social investment; and often hosts conversations and dialogues with relevant stakeholders in Africa and beyond. For more information, please visit www.capsi.co.za

Brief posting description

Generally, WBS academics work exclusively with postgraduate students and senior executives. They deliver highly-rated learning, higher degree supervision, accredited research, and opinion leadership on business critical issues. This WBS/CAPSI researcher would work exclusively for the Centre on African Philanthropy and Social Investment particularly on a donor funded project that will run for five (5) years. The project is funded

by the Mastercard Foundation and focuses on 17 countries in Africa. It seeks to examine the extent to which the non-profit sector contributes to dignified employment for young Africans.

CAPSI has already appointed three regional lead researchers (two males and one female) for East, Southern and West Africa. CAPSI is now looking for a female regional lead researcher for North Africa to be based in Johannesburg but there is a possibility also to be based in North Africa. Working with other project implementation team, each regional lead researcher is responsible for the development of the research design, landscaping, selection and training of country partners. In addition, each researcher works closely with CAPSI team and management and contribute towards the overall design, coordination, management and oversight of the project including research functions in countries for which they are responsible.

Minimum academic requirements

- A relevant PhD in any of the following disciplines: Economics, Development Studies, International Development, Non-Profit Management and/or Philanthropic Studies, Behavioural Sciences, Statistics, Social Sciences, Data Science and Public Policy Studies.
- A demonstrable track record of peer reviewed research outputs is essential. A demonstrable track record of research fund raising would be a distinct advantage.
- Demonstrable expertise in both advanced qualitative and quantitative research methods, including statistical analysis.
- Excellent written and verbal communication skills in English, fluency in French, Arabic, Swahili, or Portuguese will be an added advantage.
- Experience in gender and intersectionality research will be an advantage.
- Must be able to lead multi-stakeholder partnerships.
- Must speak English and preferably Arabic or French.

How to apply

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Closing date for applications is **30 September 2024**

Internal and external applicants are invited to apply by registering their profile on the Wits i-Recruitment platform located at <https://irec.wits.ac.za> and submitting their application. This application is to have a covering letter with a CV that includes the name, address and contact details, (including email addresses) of three referees, copies of qualifications, professional memberships and the copy of identity.

The University is committed to employment equity. In accordance with our Employment Equity goals and plan, preference will be given to suitable applicants from designated groups, as defined in the Employment Equity Act, 55 of 1998 and subsequent amendments thereto.

Email applications will not be accepted. Only those through the i-Recruitment platform will be considered.

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