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Nairobi, Kenya

Vacancy Announcement

Job Title – Research Officer (National opportunity)

The African Technology Policy Studies Network (ATPS) is a leading Pan-African transdisciplinary network of policymakers, researchers, private sector actors and the civil society actors that promotes the generation, dissemination, use and mastery of science, technology and innovation (STI) for Africa's development, environmental sustainability and global inclusion. Its mission is to improve the quality of STI research, policy and practice for sustainable development in Africa. ATPS is seeking to recruit a **Research Officer** to be based at its Secretariat in Nairobi, Kenya. **Preferred candidate must be resident in Kenya or a Kenyan national.**

Main Duties:

- Organize and undertake fieldwork on ATPS thematic research projects and programs as may be assigned by your Supervisor(s) or the Executive Director;
- Develop Proposals for relevant STI projects /programmes to address the strategic goals of the ATPS and fundraise for the implementation of such projects/Programmes in liaison with ATPS research staff, national chapter coordinators and members as may be assigned by your supervisors(s) or the Executive Director;
- Publish at least two (2) peer reviewed journal articles per year co-authored with the Executive Director on STI issues that are relevant to ATPS Strategic Objectives and mandates;
- Carry out literature reviews on relevant STI policy research subjects of interest to the ATPS as may be assigned by your Supervisor(s) or the Executive Director;
- Publish at least two (2) working papers and three (3) policy briefs on STI policy issues annually;
- Coordinate the organizing of ATPS conferences and workshops, research methodology training seminars, etc. as may be assigned by your Supervisors(s) or the Executive Director;
- Assist in identifying relevant data on STI policy issues, through desk research, field surveys, focus groups, expert's panels, workshops policy round tables etc., as may be assigned by your Supervisor(s) or the Executive Director;
- Analyse and synthesize relevant data and turn them into research papers with reference to the specific objectives as may be assigned by your Supervisor(s) or the Executive Director;
- Raise at least US\$1,000,000 annually for the ATPS program implementation;

- Carry out any other duties that may be assigned by your Supervisor(s) or the Executive Director

Required skills and qualifications

1. A Master's Degree in Science, Technology and Innovation studies, Research and Development Studies, Economics (Agricultural, Environmental and Ecological) or other related disciplines. A PhD degree in the aforementioned disciplines will be an added advantage;
2. Ability to communicate effectively both orally and in writing;
3. At least two years' experience in research and development fields, policy research in science, technology and innovation fields, and monitoring and evaluation of projects in a similar international organization;
4. Demonstrate capacity and ability to fundraise and manage knowledge networks;
5. Have strong interpersonal skills and a good team player;
6. Have strong analytical skills- Experience in analysis of quantitative and qualitative data.
7. Have experience in STI policy research and analyses in Africa;
8. Demonstrated experience in programme coordination and project implementation;
9. Ability to work with limited supervision and meet deadlines; and
10. The capacity to speak English and French will be an added advantage.

Interested and qualified candidates should send an application letter stating their motivation for the job and a detailed curriculum vitae with at least three (3) referees to executivedirector@atpsnet.org with a copy to finance@atpsnet.org. The position will remain vacant until a suitable candidate is recruited.