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The International Monetary Fund's Resident Representative Office in Sierra Leone calls for applications to fill the position of an Economist

Application Deadline: Wednesday, November 13, 2019

Please send applications, including statement of motivation, Curriculum Vitae, copies of university transcripts and other supporting information to:

International Monetary Fund Monique Newiak Sam Bangura Building, 2nd Floor Gloucester Street, Freetown Sierra Leone

With electronic copies to

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We will interview short-listed applicants in the second half of November 2019.

Job description:

The Economist is expected to consistently demonstrate the ability to work independently and enhance the IMF's relations with Sierra Leone.

Under general supervision of the Resident Representative, the Economist will have the following duties and responsibilities:

- Systematic monitoring, assessment and evaluation of economic and related political developments/policies (particularly in the areas of production, prices, financial sector, money, fiscal issues, and the balance of payments) in Sierra Leone. She/he will also identify problems and issues for discussion.
- Providing the IMF team with complete, accurate, and current information with respect to country surveillance and developing and maintaining databases; responding to other internal requests for information.

- Collection and analysis of data and preparation of written and statistical outputs;
 assistance to visiting mission staff with respect to collecting and analyzing economic sector data, and preparation of program/background notes.
- Contribution to institutional capacity building; monitoring of technical assistance by the IMF and other development partners.
- Interaction with staff at all levels at the Resident Representative Office, IMF Headquarters and the IMF's African Technical Assistance Center (AFRITAC), development partners, government and private sector officials, and civil society.
- Participation in IMF missions, including through data collection and facilitation of meetings.
- Other duties as required and assists in the smooth functioning of the office.

The list of duties is illustrative of regular and recurring functions. However, the Economist is expected to back up others, substituting for team members as needed.

Required competencies:

- Professional Competence: sound knowledge of econometric and statistical analysis
 techniques and related principles underlying IMF economic work; ability to diagnose and
 develop solutions to country economic problems, to interpret and present statistical
 information, apply IMF software programs for economic/financial research and analysis
 and database management; sound knowledge of principal sources and retrieval systems
 of economic and social development data; strong analytical and conceptual skills.
- Program/Task Management: understanding of policy and technical issues; ability to
 develop clear goals, and own managed work that are consistent with country goals;
 planning and organizing work assignments independently within agreed objectives;
 ability to anticipate, adjust to and prioritize a variety of complex, evolving tasks; adapting
 and renegotiating plans as changes and problems occur.
- **Client (National) Focus:** monitoring of ongoing developments inside and outside the client's environment to keep informed and anticipate problems; seeking to understand problems and issues from the client's perspective; working in partnership with contacts, seeking feedback to improve work processes; gaining trust and confidence by delivering quality work, advice, and expertise.
- **Communication:** proficiency with respect to communications skills (listening effectively, speaking persuasively (as appropriate), writing clearly and concisely); dealing effectively and diplomatically with government officials; active promotion of team work and collaboration to achieve Resident Representative Office objectives.
- Personal Leadership: Development of effective relationships with colleagues, inside and outside the organization; active contribution to meeting the objectives of the team;

accessibility to other staff, mentoring/offering guidance to colleagues; initiative to share knowledge and experience; accepting and giving constructive feedback; initiative to improve and pursuing of personal development and training programs.

• **Teamwork:** Ability to develop effective relations within/outside the Resident Representative office; collaboration to meet team objectives.

Qualifications and Experience:

- MA in macroeconomics, financial economics, or relevant fields, e.g., international economics, monetary economics, public finance, econometrics, or international trade and finance, or equivalent combination of education and experience.
- Five or more years of relevant work experience (e.g., econometrics, statistics, finance) or equivalent experience.
- Proficiency in software applications, (Excel required; knowledge of econometrics packages, such as Stata and Eviews, are a plus); knowledge of statistical and econometrics techniques and macroeconomic relationships.
- Very good knowledge of English.