**Economist (STC), Africa Chief Economist Office** - **Open**  
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| Start Date: | **Oct 14, 2019** | Time Commitment: | **150 Day(s)** |
| Express Interest by: | **Sep 15, 2019** | ST Grade: | **STC2** |

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| Topics: | **Economic Growth Policy;Infrastructure and Growth;Microeconomic Analysis of Economic Development** |
| Business Functions: | **Research Analyst Job Profile** |
| Skills: | **Economics;Econometrics;Policy;Capacity Building;Data Visualization** |
| Language Skills: | **English** |

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| Assignment Location: | **United States, HQ** |
| Institution: | **IBRD** |
| VPU: | **AFR** |
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| Task Description: | **The Africa Chief Economist’s office (AFRCE) is seeking an Economist (STC) who will join the team and contribute to the implementation of the Chief Economists of Government initiative, and its umbrella program, the Think Africa Partnership #58; www.worldbank.org/tap. The Think Africa Partnership is a new multi-donor knowledge platform to support economic transformation and growth in the Africa region. The Partnership seeks to achieve these objectives by supporting improved policy-relevant research and uptake by policy makers. The Office of the Africa Chief Economist is working closely with African research networks, think tanks and governments to support research uptake and improved economic analysis. Under the program, the team support a new network of presidential economic advisors and chief economists of government across the Africa region. These advisors play a critical role translating economic evidence and research into economic policy choices at the center of government. The World Bank is seeking to hire an economist consultant to play a key role in designing and delivering these activities. This position is ideal for a dynamic and self-motivated economist who seeks to bridge cutting edge development economics research with the practical challenges of policy making and economic transformation. The position mixes desk-based research, dialogue with government clients and other partner organizations, with program management responsibilities, and other program delivery activities. It will require flexibility and dynamism, while offering the opportunity to take on responsibilities and contribute to a new and innovative knowledge platform. The position will also allow scope to contribute to research on topics relevant to the strategic priorities of the World Bank Africa region. Current regional studies underway are focused on the role of extractive resources in Africa’s transformation, promoting skills and human capital, and how to harness opportunities for industrialization and structural transformation. The successful applicant will work with James Cust, Program Manager for Think Africa Partnership, and be situated in the Office of the Chief Economist, Africa region. The candidate will support on the design and implementation of the Think Africa Partnership program and other research based assignments. The position will be based in Washington, DC but remote working is also feasible for the right candidate. Responsibilities #58; The successful candidate will be primarily responsible for the following areas of work #58; Support several streams of work under the new Chief Economists of Government (CEoG) initiative and the related Think Africa Partnership. Responsibilities would include delivering a program of activities for the network, managing consultants, coordination of a community of practice and organization virtual and physical network events; Contribute to research papers and projects targeting high quality peer reviewed economics publications;Conduct data visualization and desk research, including econometric analysis, systematic reviews of evidence and country experience on economic policy topics related to the Think Africa Partnership or the work of the unit;Contribute to the drafting of project documents including activity planning, budgets, results frameworks and related administrative tasks;Provide direct client engagement services including interviews with stakeholders, coordinating technical assistance and external expertise. Skills required #58; The applicant should meet the following requirements #58; A minimum of a Master’s degree in economics, or a closely related field. A PhD in economics would be a distinct advantage;At least 3-5 years of relevant professional experience in economic policy, research, or working with government;Experience with project management and event organization, stakeholder consultation or other related activities; - Knowledge of data visualization, statistical and econometric methods;Statistical programming skills in Stata or R;Familiarity with other programming, statistical or mapping software (GIS, Python) would be advantageous;Excellent writing skills and attention to detail;French and Portuguese language skills would be an advantage but not required. To apply for this position, please send your CV, cover letter and two research papers or examples of written work to James Cust at jcust@worldbank.org. Please use the subject line #58; “Economist STC, Think Africa Partnership”.Please apply ASAP as applications will be reviewed on a rolling basis. Only shortlisted candidates will be contacted.** |