



Vacancy Announcement

MwAPATA Institute is an independent policy think tank in Malawi, established to inform and guide national policy issues related to agriculture, natural resources and rural transformation. The mission of MwAPATA Institute is to conduct independent, objective, empirical research aimed at providing innovative and practical recommendations to inform agricultural sector policies in Malawi. The aim of the Institute is to accelerate the adoption of effective Malawian-led policies and programs to drive broad-based agricultural transformation, diversification and improved smallholder incomes and nutrition in Malawi. The Institute plays a leading role in identifying strategies that will improve investment climate, promote agricultural productivity, diversification, and commercialization. The Institute is affiliated to the National Planning Commission (NPC) and the Lilongwe University of Agriculture and Natural Resources (LUANAR) and is currently receiving technical and institutional development support from the Michigan State University.

MwAPATA Institute wishes to recruit a highly motivated, proactive service-oriented and energetic individual to fill the following position based in Lilongwe:

Research Analyst/Assistant

The Research Analyst/Assistant will provide technical and logistical support to research and field activities for the Institute. The Research Analyst/Assistant will closely work with the Institute's Research Fellows. This will involve assisting in the day-to-day implementation of project activities, including data collection, analysis, learning and policy dialogue events.

Key tasks shall include:

1. Designing and implementing data collection activities and analysis. This includes working with a team to design and develop data collection instruments, assembling data collection field teams, supervising of data collection activities, and data entry and cleaning.
2. Preparing timely and accurate analysis for reports with guidance from Research Fellows.
3. Assisting in organizing seminars, workshops, and conferences as and when required.

4. Performing other duties commensurate with your skills and training as may be assigned.

Qualifications and skills

1. Master's degree or higher in Development Economics, Agricultural Economics, Economics, Policy Management, or related field.
2. Proficiency in quantitative research methods and the use and analysis of household survey data.
3. Extensive experience using Stata is preferred, while expertise using other similar statistical analysis software packages will be considered. It will further advantage candidates to have additional experience using other analytical tools.
4. Proficiency in computer assisted personal interviewing (CAPI) programming.
5. Excellent written and spoken English and at least one Malawian local language.

Please email detailed curriculum vitae and cover letter to recruitment@mwapata.mw stating the position being applied for in the subject line. Positions are open until filled.