



CENTRAL BANK OF SWAZILAND

UMTSHOLI WEMASWATI

VACANCY

ECONOMIST (REAL SECTOR)

Applications are invited from suitable and qualifying candidates to fill the position of Economist that exists in the Economic Policy, Research and Statistics Department (EPRS).

PRIMARY PURPOSE OF THE JOB

Compiles, analyses, organize and monitor real sector operations mainly in relation to Gross Domestic Product (GDP), Inflation, Employment and Investment so as to ensure the production economic reports on current domestic economy developments that advise the Bank authorities (and relevant stakeholders) so that they have complete information for policy decision making.

KEY FUNCTIONS OF THE JOB

- Monitors the collection, compilation and analysis of real sector data (ranging from agriculture, mining, construction, manufacturing, tourism, prices, employment and investment) to ensure production of quality economic reports that inform monetary policy formulation (i.e. MPC statements) and for the Bank's publications of domestic economy developments in quarterly and annual bulletins.
- Compiles and analyse an Inflation Paper for the Banker's meeting reflecting proper analysis on current and future inflation trends to ensure that the Bank has adequate information to decide on the appropriate monetary policy direction to follow.
- Monitors, research and organize the collection, compilation and analysis of different economic indicators to ensure accuracy in inferences on sectorial performance that informs gross economic output (Real GDP) estimation and projections for of the economy.
- Organize and plan visits to companies/organizations to engage officials on the performance of the companies/organizations to ensure that accurate and reliable information is gathered periodically on the performance of the economy and

challenges therefrom to for policy formulation purposes (by the Central Bank and/or Government).

- Organize and monitor a strong data base on the economy to ensure that local and international organizations are supplied with relevant and updated information for planning, research purposes and publication of their reports.
- Organize and plan real sector surveys on selected big companies in all sectors (agriculture & forestry, mining, manufacturing, electricity & water, construction, communication, and development finance institutions) to ensure half-year and annual publication of detailed quantitative and qualitative analysis on domestic economy developments (published periodically in the Central Bank reports).
- Represent the Central Bank in Local, Regional and International Meetings on issues of financial sector and broader macroeconomic management to ensure professional growth and deepening of the Bank's relation with other stakeholders through the exchange of ideas experiences, sharing information on new developments and best practices, whenever required.
- Researches and prepares Occasional and Special Papers for Governors and GM Economy Policy Research & Statistics to ensure that they make meaningful and informative presentations in local and international organizations. Occasionally.
- Prepare presentation and lecture students, whenever required (both from high/secondary and tertiary institutions) about the activities of the Central bank and economy in general to ensure that the Bank is in communication with its stakeholders.
- Plan, monitor and organize tasks and on the job training for Research Assistant and the Assistant Economist so as to ensure quality improvements in the deliverables from the real sector unit.

QUALIFICATION

- B.A. Social Science (with Economics as a compulsory major with Mathematics, Statistics or Accounting as second majors).
- A Master's Degree in Economics will be an added advantage.

EXPERIENCE

- At least 5 years of relevant working experience in any related field of economics.

SKILLS AND COMPETENCIES

- Understanding of Macroeconomics and the general four sectors of the economy (real sector, financial sector, government and external sector).
- Quantitative and statistical analysis techniques
- National Accounts and Consumer Price Indices methodology
- Research, analytical reporting and editing skills
- Financial programming
- Management and administrative skills

REMUNERATION

The Bank offers a competitive remuneration package commensurate with experience, value add and qualifications.

DEADLINE

Applications with detailed CV and academic qualifications should be mailed electronically to the **Human Resources Manager** on or before the close of business on the 24th March 2017. The mail address to be used is recruitment@centralbank.org.sz and the **applications should clearly indicate the post applied for in the “subject” box**. Please note that only shortlisted candidates will be contacted. Should an incumbent not hear from the Bank within two weeks of the closing date of this communication, please consider the application unsuccessful.

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