



EMBASSY OF IRELAND TANZANIA

SEEKS

EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST FOR A POVERTY/ ECONOMIC ANALYST

Irish Aid is the Irish Government's programme for overseas development and is an integral part of Ireland's foreign policy; in Tanzania, the Irish Aid programme is managed by the Embassy of Ireland. The Embassy works with the Government of Tanzania, UN agencies, international research institutions, civil society organisations and other development partners to deliver on our overall goal of inclusive growth and reduced poverty and vulnerability in Tanzania.

The programme is guided by the Tanzania Country Strategy Paper (CSP) 2011 – 2016, which has a significant emphasis on building government systems and a focus on partnership and interventions that deliver results for the poor and vulnerable. The programme is underpinned by a strong commitment to aid effectiveness and is aligned with the priorities of the Tanzanian Government's National Development Plan, the MKUKUTA II (2010-2015)

With an annual budget of approximately €26 million, the programme is focused on improving the livelihoods of smallholder farmers and pastoralists, improving nutrition outcomes, ensuring better quality and more equitable public health services and strengthened systems and capacities for public financial management for domestic accountability. Cutting across all our work is a commitment to gender equality, and good governance. The Embassy employs a range of financing modalities to achieve its objectives including General Budget Support.

In the coming months the Embassy will embark on the design of a new five year country strategy to commence in 2017 which will take account of the development challenges facing Tanzania and Ireland's policy priorities. As part of its planning the Embassy will undertake substantial analytical work on the macro socioeconomic factors impacting on Tanzania's development outcomes. Such analyses will be used to inform future programming.

The Embassy of Ireland now seeks expressions of interest from a suitably qualified economist who will provide technical support for the ongoing country programme and provide key analytical inputs for the planning of a new programme.

Specific tasks and activities to include:

- providing analysis on the poverty impact of public expenditure decisions, allocations and outturns

- using poverty data produced through national surveys (such as the Household survey, NDHS) and other available surveys to provide a detailed understanding of poverty dynamics and inequality in Tanzania, drivers (geography, gender, age, ethnicity, education and nutrition levels) of poverty and inequality
- using available data and a political economy analysis, identify the key enablers which allow people to move out of poverty
- providing analysis of the government's public expenditure priorities by analysing the annual budget projections and outturns by sector, in particular health, nutrition, and agriculture including assessing public expenditure allocations by gender
- Undertaking economic analyses and provide support during the implementation of the Country Strategy Paper to the end of the current CSP.

Requirements

Candidates interested in undertaking such work will need to demonstrate a strong competency in economics and a track record of undertaking similar assignments. In particular they will need to have had experience of undertaking poverty analyses. They will require fluency in English and a very high standard of English writing skills; Knowledge and experience of Tanzania will be an added advantage.

Process

Interested parties are invited to submit a letter setting out an Expression of Interest outlining how they meet the requirements above and the reasons why they would like to be considered together with a detailed up to date CV **by September 4th to Stephen Simbila, Administrator Embassy of Ireland Tanzania [stephen.simbila\[at\]dfa.ie](mailto:stephen.simbila[at]dfa.ie)**

Following a review of the Expressions of Interest selected candidates will be contacted by the Embassy. Please note only those whose Expression of Interest meets the required standard will be contacted.