

The Financial and Fiscal Commission (FFC) exists to provide proactive, expert and independent advice on promoting a sustainable and equitable Intergovernmental Fiscal Relations System (IGFR), through evidence-based policy analysis to ensure the realisation of our Constitutional values. Its vision is to provide influential advice for an equitable, efficient and sustainable IGFR system.



The Financial and Fiscal Commission (FFC) has the following vacancy:

## RESEARCH DIRECTOR

**Purpose:** The Research Director will be expected to actively contribute to the FFC's activities, including conducting policy research, writing publications and related communication products, developing practical policy recommendations based on research results and disseminating results via briefings, presentations at seminars and workshops, as well as regular interactions with the media.

**The successful candidate's responsibilities will be to provide leadership to the Research Unit in order to produce the research which enables the FFC to provide rigorous expert and independent advice to legislatures and government institutions on promoting a sustainable and equitable IGFR system.**

**The key outputs of the Research Director will be to:** Provide long-term policy and strategic planning requirements of the Research Unit and the FFC • Achieve efficient and effective research management and administration by focusing on the financial planning, human capital management and risk management of the Research Unit • Develop and implement relevant research policy guidelines and directives • Advance the IGFR knowledge-generation • Conduct quality assurance to ensure that the required research content is proposed to the Commission and delivered upon • Foster a professional relationship with parliament, government, academia and related organisations within the intergovernmental fiscal relations environment as well as network with all stakeholders who are involved with similar strategic priorities • Communicate and disseminate the FFC's research work and findings.

**The Research Director will also drive research output based on amongst others, the following macro-economic areas:** *Macroeconomic and fiscal issues:* Growth and Development • Unemployment • *Local Government:* District and local municipalities: Development, fiscal framework, equitable share and transfers • *Metropolitan cities:* Development, fiscal framework, equitable share and transfers • *Provincial Government:* Development, fiscal framework, equitable share and transfers • *Infrastructure Resourcing* • *Sectors:* Human Settlement and housing, water and sanitation, transport and roads, energy and electricity.

**Competencies:** Strategic Capability and Leadership, Project management, Problem Solving and Analysis, Service Delivery and Innovation.

**Requirement:** PhD or M Economics, Public Finance or related field, with specific reference to team project work and econometric and other statistical modeling.

**Experience:** Minimum 10 years' experience as a researcher focused on public finance issues or intergovernmental fiscal relations system environment • Proven research output track record.

**Remuneration:** R1,127,334.00 – R1,347,379.00 per annum.

**Applications must be accompanied by a curriculum vitae, certified copies of qualifications, academic transcripts, and certified copies of identity documentation.**

**CLOSING DATE: 16 JULY 2018 AT 12H00.**

**No late applications will be accepted.**

**Applications for the above-mentioned position can be e-mailed to: [recruitment@ffc.co.za](mailto:recruitment@ffc.co.za)**

**Please take note that qualifications and other checks will be conducted on short-listed/recommended candidates and, where applicable, additional checks will be conducted. It is the applicant's responsibility to have any foreign qualifications evaluated by the South African Qualifications Authority (SAQA). If you have not received feedback from the FFC within 3 (three) months of the closing date, please regard your application as unsuccessful.**

**Women and people with disabilities are encouraged to apply.**

