

Job Description

This form summarises the purpose of the job and lists its key tasks. It is not a definitive list of all the tasks to be undertaken as those can be varied from time to time at the discretion of the School, in consultation with the postholder.

Job title: Research Officer (Environment and Development)

Department/Division: Grantham Research Institute on Climate Change and the Environment Accountable to: Sam Fankhauser / Declan Conway

Job Summary:

The Grantham Research Institute on Climate Change and the Environment, incorporating the Centre for Climate Change Economics and Policy, seeks to appoint a post-doctoral researcher to work on climate-resilient development in Africa

Duties and Responsibilities

- Contribute to an IDRC-funded research project on Pathways to Resilience in Semi-Arid Economies (PRISE), and lead PRISE project 4 on business responses
- Contribute to other ongoing adaptation grants in the Institute, including on El Nino and the UMFULA project
- Identify appropriate methods of investigation and analysis according to data and objectives;
- Conduct empirical and/or theoretical analysis, including surveys, relevant to PRISE, El Nino and other grants
- Undertake primary field work in West Africa, Southern and East Africa and guide local research teams;
- Attend progress meetings and conferences in East and West Africa and elsewhere
- Write results for publication in peer-reviewed journals;
- Communicate technical results to a wider, often non-specialist audience;
- Engage with regional and international stakeholders to achieve policy impact
- Oversee the organisation of conferences, seminars and workshops
- Support team members to reach common goals
- Demonstrating knowledge of theory, methods and practice and demonstrating development through acquisition of relevant skills and competencies.

All of the above subject to the contractual obligations imposed by the external funding agency and with the agreement of the supervisor and Institute Directors.

The appointee will be expected to play an active intellectual part in the project itself and to collaborate with other programmes within the Grantham Research Institute and the Centre for Climate Change Economics and Policy.

Note

The LSE has a progressive pay structure that rewards you with annual pay increases up to a certain level as you develop in your role. We also provide for further reward past this point in the form of further pay increases based on exceptional performance.

Flexibility

To deliver services effectively, a degree of flexibility is needed, and the post holder may be required to perform work not specifically referred to above.

Equality and Diversity

LSE believes that equality for all is a basic human right. We actively encourage diversity and inclusion, while opposing all forms of unlawful and unfair discrimination on the grounds of age, disability, gender reassignment, marriage and civil partnership, pregnancy and maternity, race, religion or belief, sex and sexual orientation.

Environmental Sustainability

The post holder is required to minimise environmental impact in the performance of the role, and actively contribute to the delivery of the LSE Environmental Policy.