Research & Policy Analyst

- Position type: Full time – subjected to 3 months probationary period
- Expected start date: July 2017

Background

The high rates of unemployment and underemployment especially among women and youth in Sierra Leone are of great concern to the Sierra Leone Local Content Agency. Addressing the existing skills gaps through employment and training of local Sierra Leoneans is therefore of utmost priority. As a Research & Policy Analyst, you'll provide research and analysis required to develop, implement, review and evaluate new and existing policies of the Government of Sierra Leone and partners. The research evidence should help inform the policy decisions of the Sierra Leone Local Content Agency.

About the role

Tasks are likely to include but not limited to:

- Working on a range of research projects related to employment promotion and skills developments in the context of Sierra Leone.
- Discussing and agreeing on research project requirements with supervisor;
- Writing papers, report and research summaries for both internal and external audiences
- Engage with key stakeholders in government, local councils, academic institutions, the private sectors and donor partners
- Ensuring quality control of research;
- Providing information and analysis on a policy issues and its developments
- Keeping up to date with developments in policy and employment and skills development issues in Sierra Leone
- Delivering presentations at conferences and workshops
- All other related duties as assigned.

Education
- Advanced University degree from an accredited University (preferably a post-graduate degree) in law, economics, public administration, business or social science related discipline; or an equivalent combination of education, training and a minimum of 5 years directly relevant experience.

Desired experience

- Be a self-motivated and well organized, with experience of working in relevant fields and ability to apply experience within research and policed oriented activities.
- Excellent desk analytical research skills
- Knowledge of Sierra Leone Local Content Agency Act, SMEs, corporate, investment, and Finance act of Sierra Leone.

- Expert knowledge of GoSL policy-making and legislative processes.
- Excellent communication, writing and consulting skills on employment promotion programs.
- Ability to work independently to meet critical and competing deadlines to produce high quality work in short timeframes.
- Demonstrated competency in research and policy analysis, including ability to identify and explain complex policy issues.
- Ability to work productively with others as part of a team.

How to apply

Applications will be considered on a rolling basis. . Interested candidates can email their CV to info@lcu-sierraleone.com along with a copy of all certificates and credentials

Deadline for submissions is Friday 19th May 2017.