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Economists sought for career in the dynamic field of competition economics

The Competition Commission is seeking to recruit dynamic, hard-working and committed individuals to fill **economist** positions in the Policy & Research Division. The individuals will lead economic research in line with the Commission's mandate to address anti-competitive conduct and evaluate mergers.

Senior Economist (Grade 6)

Applicants are expected to have a Masters' degree in Economics, with training and experience in Industrial Organisation and/or International Trade being an advantage. Strong analytical skills and experience in managing research are essential. Knowledge and understanding of the purpose and objectives of the Competition Act, the Competition Commission and the South African economy is highly recommended. Senior Economists play a key role in framing the Commission's work on market enquiries, impact assessment, and critical economic policy questions.

Duties of the Senior Economist include:

- To supervise, conduct and coordinate economic research.
- To provide leadership to research teams, including on methodology, data analysis, and timelines.
- To identify research activities and priorities relevant to the development of policy.
- To contribute to the provision of the theoretical and intellectual platform for the effective implementation of the Competition Act

Junior Economist (Grade 8)

Applicants are expected to have a Masters degree in Economics, with training and experience in Industrial Organisation and/or International Trade being an advantage. Strong analytical skills are essential. Knowledge and understanding of the purpose and objectives of the Competition Act, the Competition Commission and the South African economy is highly recommended.

Duties of the Junior Economist include:

- To contribute to the provision of the theoretical and intellectual platform for the effective implementation of the Competition Act
- To assist with the rigorous economic analysis of competition cases
- To actively participate in Commission committees / task teams

- To assist in the administration and execution of activities to build capacity with regards to the economics of competition

If you meet the above requirements the Commission invites you to apply for a position in one of the most dynamic institutions engaged in economic research.

Please note that these positions are available on a three year fixed term contract, renewable.

We offer:

- A starting annual total cost to company package of R517 521-00 at Grade 6 and R373 302-00 at Grade 8 (negotiable commensurate with experience);
 - The opportunity to gain hands-on experience in the dynamic and growing field of competition law in South Africa
 - Exposure to excellent local and international training opportunities in the field of competition economics and law.
 - An opportunity for you to actively participate in reaching the objectives of building a fair and efficient economy for all South Africans
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Graduate Trainee

The Competition Commission has an exciting 12 month **Graduate Trainee Programme**. This programme offers successful candidates an opportunity to be trained and gain experience in competition economics and law. On successful completion of the programme, trainees may apply for opportunities within the Commission.

Applicants must have, or be completing, an **Honours in Economics degree**

All graduates should have good analytical, research and investigative skills. Well-developed writing, interpersonal skills as well as computer literacy are prerequisites.

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APPLICATION PROCESS

The successful candidates will be vetted for security purposes.

Please forward applications and CV's, to: The Commissioner, The Competition Commission, Private Bag X23, Lynnwood Ridge, 0040 for attention: Ms E Wiehahn or fax to (012)394 0166.

Closing date: 3 February 2012

The Competition Commission is an equal opportunity employer