

Job Title:	Manager: Trade Research
Type of Contract	Permanent
Reporting to	Senior Manager: Markets and Economic Research Centre (MERC)
Based:	Pretoria
Reference No:	HRREC004/23

REQUIREMENTS

A Master's degree in Agricultural Economics or Economics. 5- 10 years managerial working experience in trade policy and policy advisory environment. A Ph.D. in Agricultural Economics or Economics will be an added advantage. A valid driver's license.

SKILLS

Ability to build strong and lasting relationship with stakeholders. Ability to work as part of a large team with varying interests and demands, Ability to work under pressure and tackle multiple tasks and ad hoc tasks, Flexibility and willingness to travel; Ability to critically evaluate the validity of information and in offering ideas and solutions; Ability to think logically and solve problems; Ability to communicate research output using various dissemination platforms: through report writing and public oral presentation, Ability to conduct evidenced based research.

KNOWLEDGE

Knowledge of the MAP Act. Knowledge and practical application of Economic Statistical Softwares such as, Computable General Equilibrium Modelling (CGE), STATA and E-Views amongst others. Full knowledge and use of MS Word Office (Excel, MS Word and PowerPoint). Knowledge and practical application of Project Management. Knowledge of Databases such as GTAP, Trade Map, Global Trade Atlas, South African Revenue Services (SARS) and ability to extract data and formulate an analysis.

KEY DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

- Manage the team to provide evidence-based research and trade /policy advisory into internal and broader agricultural sector and national policies;
- Manage human and financial resources of Trade Unit;
- Initiate and manage projects in line with the NAMC and MERC's mandate;

- Manage and supervise staff in terms of undertaking of research projects/ programmes in the trade focus area;
- Provide strategic input into the development and implementation of markets and economic research strategies and operational plans;
- Effectively manage development and implementation of relevant thrusts of annual operational plans for Trade Unit;
- Liaise with NAMC stakeholders, industry bodies, Portfolio Committee of the Department of Agriculture, Land Reform and Rural Development (DALLRD) and Council on matters pertaining to trade policies,
- Carry out quality management of relevant markets and economic research output/ reports in the focus are of the unit;
- Submit research papers and articles in conferences and accredited or peer-reviewed journals; and
- Provide strategic input into the strategies, policy development and implementation of the Markets and Economic Research Centre.

To apply for the position, please forward the relevant Job Application Form which is available in our website to hrrecruitment@namc.co.za closing date: **09 July 2023**. If you have not been contacted within three months of the closing date, please note that your application was unsuccessful.

Short-listed candidates will be subjected to reference checks and qualification verification. If you have not been contacted within 3 months of the closing date, please note that your application was unsuccessful.

By applying for this position, you hereby acknowledge that you have read and accepted the following disclaimer as per the **Protection of Personal Information Act, Act 4 of 2013 (POPIA)**: I hereby consent for NAMC to process my personal information as part of the recruitment process, given that the NAMC shall take all reasonable measures to protect the personal information of applicants and for the purpose of this disclaimer “personal information” shall be defined as outlined in the POPIA.

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