

## Research Associate - Green Growth

### International Policy Centre For Inclusive Growth (IPC-IG), formerly known as the International Poverty Centre (IPC)

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<b>Location:</b>	Brasilia, Brazil
<b>Vacancy Type:</b>	External Vacancy
<b>Application Deadline:</b>	11 March 2012
<b>Type of Contract:</b>	Service Contract (SC)
<b>Languages Required:</b>	English
<b>Starting Date:</b>	19 March 2012
<b>Expected Duration:</b>	8.5 months

### Background

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The **International Policy Centre for Inclusive Growth (IPC-IG)**, formerly the International Poverty Centre, is supported by the Poverty Practice, Bureau for Development Policy, [UNDP](#) and the Government of Brazil. The Centre's mission is to facilitate South-South learning in development solutions by fostering policy dialogue; carrying out policy-oriented research; as well as conducting training and evaluation. Its vision is the attainment of high inclusive growth. IPC is directly linked to the Secretariat for Strategic Affairs (SAE), the Federative Republic of Brazil and SAE's Institute for Applied Economic Research (IPEA), which is a distinguished research establishment.

The Centre carries out applied research and its ultimate goal is to generate knowledge resources to the global development community. For that the Centre regularly publishes Working Papers, issues of Poverty in Focus, Policy Research Briefs, Country Studies, One Pagers, Evaluation Notes, Conference Papers and Technical Papers to encourage policy debate and dissemination of knowledge. IPC publications are found at: <http://www.ipc-undp.org/pages/newsite/menu/about/pub.jsp?active=0>

The Centre is currently recruiting a **Research Associate** for its Green Growth activities under the Rural and Sustainable Development Team. This is in response to our growing area of research on green inclusive growth, particularly in defining a "green" component on inclusive growth and defining how "greening" can and should be made more inclusive.

In 2011, IPC-IG, in collaboration with the SADC Parliamentary Forum and other partners successfully submitted an innovation project to the Climate Development Knowledge Network (CDKN) which is currently being implemented. A number of deliverables are envisioned under the project in 2012 which will also inform the preparations for and follow-up to Rio +20 and the Durban Climate Change conference.

#### *Reference Documents:*

<http://cdkn.org/project/a-green-guide-to-align-political-and-social-contexts-for-green-and-inclusive-growth/>  
[www.ipc-undp.org/pressroom/files/ipc671.pdf](http://www.ipc-undp.org/pressroom/files/ipc671.pdf)

## Duties and Responsibilities

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Under the overall supervision of the Team Leader – Rural and Sustainable Development, the candidate will provide the following services:

### *Substantive Research Input*

- Conduct research and data analyses on inclusive green growth, particularly social dimensions of green growth and the green economy
- Focus on and contribute to the preparation and finalization of deliverables for the Green Guide Project focused on the SADC region;

Between **March and September 2012**, the Research Associate will focus exclusively on the Green Guide project funded by CDKN.

### *Admin Support to the Green Guide Project*

- Provide admin support to the execution of the Green Guide project including organization of team meetings, technical review processes and the launch of the Green Guide and the online tool. This will include taking, finalizing and archiving minutes of core team meetings and updating the IPC-IG website on project progress.
- Provide inputs into progress reports on activities including formal progress reports submitted to the Southern Africa Development Community – Parliamentary Forum and the Climate Development Knowledge Network relating to the Green Guide project.

### *Direct Support the Team Leader*

- Share research findings with IPC-IG staff and other audiences
- Identify and maintain partnerships with external institutions
- Support reporting on the activities of the IPC-IG in the subject area, including regular updates on the website, communication briefs including Op-Eds and press releases.

## Competencies

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- Proven research writing, editing and communications skills
- Demonstrated familiarity and experience with quantitative and qualitative analysis techniques and approaches in an applied policy context
- Ability to write and present analytical reports in English of high presentational quality
- Good time management skills

### *Technical/Substantive Competencies*

- Knowledge of development policy e.g. human development and /or inclusive growth.
- Demonstrate clear knowledge of sustainable development issues including justice and equity in environmental policy and familiarity and experience with green growth and green economy concepts and relevant literature

## Minimum Required Qualifications, Skills and Experiences

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### *Academic Experience*

- Post Graduate degree in development, sustainable development international relations or related areas e.g. politics or governance

### *Years of Experience*

- At least one (1) year of experience in development policy analysis

#### *Core Competencies*

- Writing experience in social and environmental policy issues (e.g. articles, research, presentations, policy documents and inputs)
- Proficiency in various relevant statistical and word processing software
- Fluency in written and spoken English

#### *Technical Competencies*

- Demonstrable knowledge of sustainable development issues including justice and equity in environmental policy and familiarity and experience with green growth and green economy concepts and relevant literature

### Desirable Qualifications

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- Knowledge of one of the following: French, Spanish, Portuguese.
  - Some experience and familiarity with global environmental policy and frameworks (1 or more years of direct working experience and knowledge of the current approaches)
  - Academic background on governance issues related to the management of natural resources particularly in a pro-poor and inclusive context or Knowledge/Experience in gender equity considerations for sustainable development.

### Application Procedure

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Applicants must send the following to [ipc-hr@ipc-undp.org](mailto:ipc-hr@ipc-undp.org) by **11 March 2012** quoting in the subject "Research Associate – Green Growth, **IPC-IG**":

- An updated CV/résumé
- A Personal History (P11) form\*
- A motivation letter which indicates why you are suited for the job and cites past experience in similar projects
- A writing sample
- Names and contacts of 3 references
- In the case of non-Brazilian applicants, demonstration of permission to work in Brazil.

All documents must be submitted in English.

\*Personal History Form (P11) is available for download at:

<http://www.pnud.org.br/recrutamento/index.php>.

Incomplete applications or applications received after the closing date (11 March 2012) will not be given consideration. Please note that only applicants who are short-listed will be contacted.

This is a national Service Contract position within the IPC-IG/UNDP. International candidates will only have their applications considered if proof of permission to work in Brazil is attached to the application. The IPC-IG/UNDP is not in a position to provide advice or assistance on applying for a Brazilian work permit.

**UNDP is committed to achieving workforce diversity in terms of gender, nationality and culture. Individuals from minority groups, indigenous groups and persons with disabilities are equally encouraged to apply. All applications will be treated with the strictest confidence.**