



UNESCO Trainees Programme

JOB DESCRIPTION

1. GENERAL INFORMATION

Title: Trainee on Education

Institute: The International Institute for Capacity Building in Africa (IICBA)

Duty station: Addis Ababa, Ethiopia

Director/Head of the institute: Yumiko Yokozeki

Trainee supervisor: Patience Awopegba, Programme Specialist

2. DESCRIPTION

Duration: 12 months

Description of tasks:

Under the authority and direct supervision of the supervisor, the trainee will:

- Collect and analyse data on teaching profession, educational development and macro and micro-economic studies in selected African countries
- Assist in organizing training programmes for education planners and policy makers in the area of teacher education development
- Assist in disseminating research and training work in the area of teacher education development
- Assist in the organisation of national/sub-regional workshops/seminars on linkages between teacher education development and education policies and plans in participating countries. These workshops/seminars will focus on teacher issues to ensure quality in educational development in Africa
- Carry out any other tasks as requested by the supervisor/Director.

Expected contribution (major expected outcomes):

- Increased visibility of UNESCO's Education programme in selected African countries
- Establishment of good understanding of the nature of the existing economics and the potential for future economic development for education planners and policy makers in the area of teacher education development

Learning objectives:

After the assignment the trainee will have:

- Gained a thorough understanding of the educational development policies and plans in selected African countries.
- Been able to link up aspects of the training of educational planners to the economic plans of their respective countries through assisting in devising and participating in training programmes for educational planners
- Gained experience in working with Ministries of Education and relevant parastatals, and with teacher educational institutions, and in programmes of other partner organizations working in the field of education.
- Some travels within Ethiopia as well as within Africa might be required, which would provide good learning opportunities.



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QUALIFICATIONS AND EXPERIENCE OF THE CANDIDATE REQUIRED

Academic qualifications (including knowledge of specific subject areas):

- Master's degree in Education or related Social Science

Work experience (if needed):

- Relevant professional experience is considered as an asset

Language requirements:

- Good knowledge of English and any other UN languages will be an added advantage.

Core Competencies:

- Respect for Diversity: "Works effectively with people with diverse backgrounds",
- Good understanding of development economics especially in the African context,
- Good computer knowledge and skills,
- Good communication and inter personal skills.

Other skills:

- Capacity to be multi-task and proactive;
- Able to work under tight deadlines;
- Excellent IT skills to carry out the work.

Further remarks:

The UNESCO International Institute for Capacity Building in Africa (IICBA) is located in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia. The institute was established in 1999 to deal with the issues of teaching profession in Africa. It is the sole 'UNESCO category one institute' in Africa and is directly linked to the HQ. One of the programmes it has initiated is to establish linkages between teacher education planning and educational/economic development. The Associate expert will be fully involved in the research and training programme of IICBA which will cover all countries in Africa as the needs are identified and resources become available.