

The South African Institute of International Affairs (SAIIA) is an independent, non-governmental, development and foreign policy think tank, focusing on South Africa's and Africa's international relations. Its goal is to contribute to the achievement of a well-governed, peaceful, economically sustainable, and globally engaged Africa. It has been consistently ranked among the top think tanks in Africa.

SAIIA seeks to make the following appointment:

**Researcher G20 - Johannesburg (G20ERIP-09/24) - Fixed Term Contract (Salary band, depending on experience: R500,000 to R600,000)**

SAIIA is seeking to appoint a Researcher to contribute to SAIIA's work on G20 issues as South Africa takes over the presidency of the G20 in December 2024.

The successful candidate will join SAIIA's G20 team and their research and policy engagement will focus on global financial architecture reform (more specifically on multilateral development bank, IMF reform and governance, and debt). These have been crucial agenda items for South Africa, Africa and other developing economies. SA's G20 presidency in 2025 will be the fourth consecutive Global South presidency providing an opportunity to drive further a global economic governance agenda that focuses on social and developmental priorities that are important to developing countries. This presidency also presents an opportunity for delivery of the required climate and development finance to developing countries, in line with their priorities and needs, thanks to a continuing growing role of SA on the international stage. Similarly, an African G20 presidency creates opportunities for greater synergies with the African Union (AU) to push for a continent-wide IFA reform agenda. SAIIA's G20 programme aims to provide support to the SA presidency and the AU in these areas.

## Essential experience, skills and qualifications

The successful candidate will have:

- A minimum master's degree in international finance, economics, development economics, international law or related studies.
- A publishing track record in global economic governance, international financial architecture or related themes.
- A minimum of two to three years' work experience in a related research field.
- Ability to create positive relationships with project teams and external stakeholders.
- Excellent communication and English writing skills.
- Good planning and organisational skills.
- Flexible approach to work, willingness to travel and willing to play a full role in ensuring the success of the team.

## Key responsibilities

The successful candidate will have the following key responsibilities:

- Produce policy-related research and policy notes on G20 and international financial architecture reform.
- Participate in development of research concepts and projects.
- Organise policy dialogues, public events and webinars.
- Engage with South African and other African policy makers on G20 issues.

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- Represent SAIIA at public events, policy engagements and in the media.
- Provide support to the SA Think 20 organising committee and the Think 20 Africa network.

For more information on SAIIA and its research agenda please visit [www.saiia.org.za](http://www.saiia.org.za). Candidates for this position should submit a motivational letter **quoting clearly the reference number of the position that they are applying for**, a comprehensive CV, together with the names of three referees with their contact details and two examples of (preferably short) articles published in the last year to [recruitment@saiia.org.za](mailto:recruitment@saiia.org.za)

Please note that only short-listed candidates will be called in for an interview. Applications close on **30 September 2024**. Incomplete or late applications will not be considered.

***SAIIA will make an appointment in line with their employment equity policy. SAIIA reserves the right not to make an appointment.***