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NIERA Policy Fellowship Program: 2025 Request for Applications (1st cohort)

Network of Impact Evaluation Researchers Africa (NIERA)

The Network of Impact Evaluation Researchers in Africa (NIERA) invites African policymakers to apply to our inaugural 2025 Policy Fellowship Program Request for Applications (RFA). In this call, NIERA invites policymakers from eligible countries in West and East Africa to apply for a 6-week fellowship aimed at enhancing their knowledge and skills in evidence-informed policymaking. The fellowship begins with a one-week online course focused on evidence-informed policymaking. The course comprises five modules: revisiting the policymaking process, accessing evidence, appraising evidence, synthesizing evidence, and applying evidence. Upon completing the course successfully, policymakers will be paired with a researcher from NIERA. Over the remaining 5 weeks, the policymaker and researcher will collaborate virtually to develop a short research proposal (concept note) addressing a specific and well-defined evidence need identified by the policymaker. For this upcoming call, interested applicants can apply to 1 of 3 thematic areas: Education, Health, and Agriculture.

Eligibility

- Be fluent in English (written and spoken), and a strong communicator.
- Be from an eligible West or East African country.
- Be a mid-level technical staff at a government ministry, agency or department in an eligible country. Lawmakers (such as members of parliament or their research staff) are also eligible to apply.
- Have at least a Bachelor's degree.
- Have demonstrable experience in policy development, or program management.
- Have good computer skills especially in using MS-Office Suite (Word, PowerPoint, Excel, Outlook, and Access), use of the Internet, and reasonably conversant with various Internet search engines.
- Own a laptop and have a reliable internet connection for participating in the online workshop.
- Be a self-driven individual ready to learn and apply their acquired skills, as well as support others needing similar skills.
- Have written support from their employer.

Fellows will receive a daily per diem of \$50 to attend the online workshop. Additionally, fellows will receive a small proposal development honorarium of \$1000. Receipt of this honorarium is conditional on attending all days of the online workshop and submitting a proposal that is deemed acceptable by NIERA.

Deadline: May 7, 2025

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Opportunity Info

34 day(s) remaining

Amount: Not Specified

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Deadline: 07 May 25

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