The Network of African Science Academies (NASAC) wishes to fill a key vacant position at its secretariat in Nairobi, Kenya. The position, as highlighted below, is to be filled on full-time basis, and knowledge of French as a second foreign language will be an added advantage.

NASAC is a consortium of 28 science academies in Africa and has a two-fold mandate: (i) To make the *voice of science* heard by policy and decision-makers in Africa and worldwide, so as to become the regional science advisor; and (ii) To strengthen and increase its academy-membership in Africa, and thereby becoming a formidable network for the enhancement of science, technology and innovation.

**PROJECT DIRECTOR**

**Responsibilities**

The Project Director will support the Executive Director to develop and enhance coordination, monitoring and evaluation mechanisms of the project titled: *Decarbonization of Transport in Africa: A Transport Planning Perspective*. Within delegated authority, s/he will be responsible for the following main duties:

- Lead and be part of an independent, expert working group of volunteers with expertise across the sciences, engineering, urban planning, economics and policy.
- Provide input to COP-27 via preliminary recommendations, summary report, workshop, and/or side event related to the project.
- Develop reports that will recommend priority actions for the African Union, African ministries of transport, planning and environment, international development organizations and banks, and other stakeholders.
- Streamline the study’s focus and its geographic focus, following an in-depth landscape analysis.
- Identify opportunities to decarbonize the transport sector in Africa.
- Select a set of cities as case studies that will help the committee to evaluate which policies have been most successful in terms of promoting shifts to electric public transit systems.
- Work collaboratively with multi-disciplinary teams together with NASAC colleagues on special assignments that serve to enhance and fulfil the mandate of NASAC.

**Key Competencies**

Professionalism and integrity, good communication (written and oral) skills, teamwork and teambuilding, planning and organization, as well as a commitment to continual learning and improvement are critical skills.

**Qualifications**

- A postgraduate degree in any related field of urban planning, engineering, economics, project planning and management, monitoring and evaluation.
- 5-8 years of progressively responsible experience in a donor funded project in the context of Africa, with a good track record for networking, project implementation and management
- Knowledge and interest on how transport in Africa is contributing to climate change.
• Ability to coordinate multiple projects and familiarity with the funding stipulations from major donors and foreign ministries.
• Capacity to start and interlink new initiatives, activities and programmes as well as ability to translate global concepts into local contexts.
• Be diplomatic, with a large network across the key stakeholder groups within Africa and globally.

Applications for the position should include (i) a one-page cover letter, (ii) an updated C.V. and (iii) full contact details of three professional references. The aforementioned should be sent electronically to:

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Only shortlisted candidates will be contacted