



## **JOB ADVERTISEMENT**

The University of Rwanda through the College of Medicine and Health Sciences has received funds from German Cooperation/BMZ-KfW to support the Regional Centre of Excellence for Vaccines, Immunisation and Health Supply Chain Management (RCE-VIHSCM). It is in this regard that the RCE-VIHSCM would like to recruit competent and qualified staff to occupy the position of Research Coordinator under the RCE-VIHSCM as indicated below:

### **RESEARCH COORDINATOR**

	<b>JOB TITLE</b>	<b>Research Coordinator</b>
1	<b>JOB PURPOSE</b>	To ensure that (i) the centre start playing its role of coordinating inter-institution cooperation for (operational) research and dissemination of best innovative strategies and practices (for decision-making at policy/planning level) (ii) and that the centre function as a Knowledge Hub & Resource Centre.
2	<b>DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Coordinate and ensure finalization of the draft RCE's draft research strategy for approval by the RCE national steering committee;</li> <li>✓ To ensure that the Centre's future academic profile be strengthened by promoting knowledge sharing on research and innovative issues pertaining to vaccine, immunization and health supply chain management relevant to identified needs in EAC member countries;</li> <li>✓ To follow on-going developments in the area of research and training pertaining to vaccine, immunization and health supply chain management both regionally and internationally;</li> <li>✓ To participate in the ongoing assessment of peer-reviewed articles &amp; grey literature, thereby ensuring that the final selection of articles and reports featured on the website and in the RCE database is an accurate reflection of key research taking place in the RCE region;</li> <li>✓ To liaise with other research and academic counterpart institutions in the region on sharing research projects and papers on VIHSCM, identifying the research gaps, and developing a regional (operational) research agenda;</li> <li>✓ To fully engage EAC EWGs and PS Research and Policy organs in terms of identifying research areas of interest for presentations and abstracts, key speakers and partners to be invited, and the launching of the Call for Research Proposals;</li> <li>✓ To support the selection and implementation of the Call for Research Proposals, including overseeing the implementation of selected research projects;</li> <li>✓ To represent the Centre at research forums at regional and international level;</li> <li>✓ Undertake any other activity that is required up on the request of the Director;</li> </ul>
3	<b>ACCOUNTABILITY</b>	Director

### **Person specifications**





1. Is a University of Rwanda Lecturer.
2. Has at least a master's degree in a health-related field preferably in Pharmacy/MPH. Having a **PhD is an added advantage.**
3. Very good grasp of research principles **is mandatory** with preference given to persons teaching research.
4. At least a **minimum of 5 publications** in peer reviewed journals in the last 7 years.
5. Knowledge in the field of Health Supply Chains or Vaccines & Immunisation or AMR and Medicines QA/QC is highly desirable.
6. Previous work experience in project settings in both planning & execution capacity is desirable.
7. A good understanding of the EAC as a REC and ability to navigate diplomatic challenges.
8. Good negotiation skills demonstrated capacity to engage with high level policy makers, implementers, academia, and the donor community is required.
9. A senior researcher, with necessary skills to detect risks and other threats on the horizon and develop contingency measures well ahead of time.
10. Grant writing skills required.
11. Ability to work unsupervised and meet multiple deadline.
12. Ability to commit 80% of your FTE to RCE work.
13. Willingness to learn

**Application modalities:**

**Interested and qualified candidates to the above positions must submit the application online on [info@hscm.ur.ac.rw](mailto:info@hscm.ur.ac.rw) with a copy to [stephen.karengera@gmail.com](mailto:stephen.karengera@gmail.com). The application dossier must contain the following documents:**

- Motivation letter
- CV
- Academic testimonials
- Copy of ID

**The deadline of submission is Monday, 20<sup>th</sup> July 2020**

Regards,

**Assoc. Prof. Jeanne KAGWIZA,**

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