



## Post-doctoral Fellowship: UNESCO Chair in African Integration and Innovation

The Tshwane University of Technology is offering a Post-doctoral Fellowship linked to the **UNESCO Chair in African Integration and Innovation**. The scope of the UNESCO Chair is to enhance capacity building around the political economy of innovation studies and associated policy environments in the Southern African Development Community (SADC) region and the broader continental context.

The successful applicant for this position will be expected to engage in research on systems of innovation in Africa from a critical political economy perspective, publish in peer-reviewed journals/books/conference proceedings, contribute to public engagements, and assist in the supervision of postgraduate students. The broad research focus areas for this fellowship are: (a) systems of innovation in Africa from a broad (political economy) perspective; (b) the nature and role of STI policy in national and regional planning for sustainable economic development; and (c) the integration of systems of innovation in the SADC region.

**Minimum requirements for applying:** • Candidates must preferably be 45 years or younger during the year of application (exceptions should be strongly motivated) • A doctoral degree in the general areas of the economics of innovation and/or economic integration with a particular focus on Africa, obtained between 2018 and 2021 for 2021 application • A proven track record of public engagements and peer-reviewed research publications.

The following documents and application must be submitted to Prof Mario Scerri ([scerrim@tut.ac.za](mailto:scerrim@tut.ac.za)) or Mr Lucas Madia ([madiail@tut.ac.za](mailto:madiail@tut.ac.za)):

• A detailed Curriculum Vitae • Certified copies of all relevant certificates and ID or passport • A five-page research proposal and a two-year plan of how the applicant intends to undertake research and publish by selecting a research question that is related to any of the research focus areas listed above.

**Closing date: 31 August 2021**

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