



INSTITUTE OF POLICY STUDIES OF SRI LANKA

The Institute of Policy Studies of Sri Lanka (IPS) is a renowned economic research organisation that provides authoritative analysis to influence public policy in Sri Lanka. We provide an environment conducive to highly effective independent research and professional growth of our staff with strong links to the government, development partners, the private sector and academia.

Senior Researchers

The IPS is looking to strengthen its research capacity with dynamic individuals inspired by the opportunity to bridge the gap between research excellence and policy impact. We are seeking candidates who would lead on policy-relevant research, mentor junior staff in research activities, mobilise research grants, and grow our external research profile and policy connections. In turn, IPS offers you the opportunity to be part of a vibrant research team, with a high degree of autonomy to develop your research potential and policy functions.

Qualifications/skills:

The ideal candidate will have the following qualifications and skills:

- A PhD or an MPhil in economics, econometrics or relevant field from a recognised institution.
- Previous experience in a research role, ideally in leading and managing research projects.
- A consistent track record of publications with reputed publishers.
- A keen interest in policy engagement, preferably with established policy and academic networks.
- Good interpersonal skills and an ability to lead and mentor junior researchers.

Junior Researchers

The IPS is looking to recruit bright, energetic, and independent individuals to join our research staff. Selected candidates will work in a range of economic policy research areas and actively participate in ongoing and upcoming research projects. Junior researchers are expected to work closely with senior researchers on a variety of ongoing studies.

Qualifications/skills:

The ideal candidate will have the following qualifications and skills:

- A degree in Economics or in a related field with a first class or at least an upper second class from a recognised university.
- Capacity to apply acquired knowledge to analyse problems relating to economic policy, demonstrate excellent English writing and communications skills, and work independently within a team environment.
- Strong quantitative skills and the ability to use STATA or similar statistical packages.
- Prior research experience in economics and/or development-related issues will be an added advantage.

How to Apply

If you fit the above description and would like to be part of a dynamic team, please send us your curriculum vitae along with details of two non-related referees to careers@ips.lk on or before 15th of March 2021.

Or

Post your application to:

Director of Finance and Administration

Institute of Policy Studies of Sri Lanka

100/20, Independence Avenue, Colombo 7.

The application should clearly indicate: a) academic qualifications; b) research and work experience; c) publication history; and d) proof of analytical, writing and presentation skills.

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