



Federal Republic of Somalia
Office of the President
National Economic Council (NEC)

Position Title:	Sector Economic and Policy Analyst
Reporting to:	Executive Director of the National Economic Council
Type of Appointment:	Individual Consultant
Duration:	12 months
Duty Station:	Mogadishu, Somalia
Reference Number	SO-NEC-528755-CS-INDV

1. Background

The Government of the Federal Republic of Somalia established the National Economic Council (NEC) on The Government of the Federal Republic of Somalia established the National Economic Council (NEC) as the principal advisory body tasked with advancing coherent, inclusive, and sustainable economic policy across the nation. The Council serves as the platform where economic policies and plans are formulated, and regional and international economic cooperation are addressed.

Originally launched in 2018 by presidential decree, the NEC was later restructured in November 2022 to strengthen its role within the Office of the President, underscoring Somalia's commitment to elevating economic governance and institutional capacity.

Under its mandate, the NEC undertakes evidence-based research and provides expert policy advice to ensure that government choices align with the national economic agenda. The NEC core functions:

- Produce rigorous, evidence-based research to inform policy.
- Provide to the President and Government with advisory services on socio-economic policies.
- Monitor the implementation of programs and ensure coherence of economic decision-making with the national agenda.

As Somalia pursues its long-term development goals through the 'Centennial Vision 2060: Blueprint for a Peaceful, Prosperous, and Proud Somalia,' the National Economic Council (NEC) serves a pivotal role in providing the analytical foundations and policy instruments essential to achieving these ambitions.

Operating within this framework, the Sector Economic Analyst will contribute directly to the NEC's work stream by providing sector-specific economic analysis, forecasting, and policy advisory support. This work is critical to informing government programs, strengthening institutional capacity, and enhancing the quality of evidence-based decision-making in Somalia's emerging economy.

2. Objectives of the Position

The Sector economist will play a pivotal role in advancing the NEC's core mission by spearheading high-quality research, policy analysis, and technical advisory work. The incumbent will be responsible for designing, coordinating, and delivering in-depth research studies and policy reports that address key national economic priorities and support Somalia's economic and social transformation agenda. The Sector Economist will ensure that all activities are conducted in strict adherence to the NEC's policies, standards, and ethical guidelines

3. Duties and Responsibilities:

The Sector Economic shall do everything necessary to meet the responsibilities of the unit, including but not limited to carrying out the following tasks:

- Conducts studies in economic research in the area of specialization, such as macro-economics, poverty reduction, regional integration, or any other areas of the NEC mandate and focus.
- Develop Policy guidelines and standards and prepare points of view used in forecasting trends and formulating economic policy.
- Conduct thorough, objective, insightful, and timely analysis of economic issues within NEC secretariat.
- Coordinate the preparation of policy briefs, memos, and other documents outlining policy assessment and recommendations;
- Design indices and other matrices as needed and requested;
- Produce regular reports on developments, trends, and performance of the economy, with analysis on underlying factors, determinants, and alternative mitigating measures;
- Provide quick on-demand analysis on policy questions and issues;
- Proactively outline problem areas and bottlenecks for analysis and discussions;
- Respond to requests for data, economic information, and research assistance on respective focus area;
- Coordinate with other staff, line ministries, external consultants, and stakeholders to assess policies and regulatory framework and outline recommendations and/or policy options;
- Produce publishable reports, studies, and other policy publications;
- Participate in in-house policy discussions, analysis, and formulation at all times;
- Identify relevant stakeholders and ministries for a weekly/monthly policy dialogue;
- Perform all other tasks and assignments as per contractual agreement

4. Specific deliverables

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5. Qualifications and Education Requirements:

Education: Advanced degree in Economics or a closely related quantitative field, with at least 10 years of progressive experience in research, public policy, and public sector; a PhD in Economics is highly preferred.

The Sector Economist will need to demonstrate skills and competencies in the following areas:

- Significant experience in public policy analysis, with a strong focus on economic statistics and economic policy development.
- Experience reviewing and interpreting legislation, policies, and/or rules for likely impacts on affected parties and/or analysis of economic impact;
- Knowledge of the policy-making environment and processes in Somalia, including legislative processes, a plus.
- Ability to effectively collect, organize, and document data and information in ways that make the information most useful for subsequent assessment, analysis, and investigation
- Experience explaining complex or technical information using language that holds the attention of and meets the needs of different audiences, including managers, legislative staff, stakeholders, and the general public; and,
- Proven ability to work diplomatically, professionally, and in a non-political manner, staying focused on results and desired outcomes and how best to achieve them.

Skills and Competencies:

- Strong analytical and quantitative skills.
- Excellent report writing, presentation, and communication abilities.
- Capacity to work independently and in multidisciplinary teams.
- Sound judgment, system thinking, and ability to engage constructively with diverse stakeholders.

6. Language Requirement:

- Proficiency in English and Somali.