



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

<b>Position Title:</b>	<b>Senior Macroeconomist</b>
<b>Reporting to:</b>	Executive Director of the National Economic Council
<b>Type of Appointment:</b>	Individual Consultant
<b>Duration:</b>	12 months
<b>Duty Station:</b>	Mogadishu, Somalia
<b>Reference Number</b>	SO-NEC-528739-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 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 Senior Macroeconomist 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 Senior Macroeconomist 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 Senior Macroeconomist will ensure that all activities are conducted in strict adherence to the NEC's policies, standards, and ethical guidelines.

## **3. Duties and Responsibilities**

- Lead the preparation, supervision, and quality assurance of research studies, policy briefs, and analytical papers in areas relevant to the NEC's mandate, including macroeconomics, international trade, sectoral development, and cross-cutting economic challenges.
- Review and analyze national and global economic data; prepare comprehensive reports and forecasts on economic and social trends; and maintain up-to-date knowledge of emerging economic developments impacting Somalia.
- Design and conduct in-house research projects, collaborate with external partners on commissioned studies, and coordinate the NEC's contributions to multi-agency research initiatives.
- Provide technical expertise and policy analysis on both existing and prospective NEC programs, ensuring that recommendations are evidence-based and aligned with national priorities.
- Formulate actionable policy recommendations and strategic plans to address Somalia's economic and social development challenges, leveraging best practices and innovative solutions.
- Represent the NEC as a panelist, speaker, or expert at biannual forums, national and international conferences, seminars, and workshops, effectively communicating the NEC's research and policy positions.
- Support institutional and human capacity development initiatives for government agencies, contributing to the strengthening of economic policy-making and implementation capabilities.
- Lead the dissemination of NEC's research outputs and policy recommendations to academic institutions, professional bodies, government stakeholders, development partners, and the broader public.
- Provide timely progress updates and comprehensive reports on projects and assignments to the Program Manager and other relevant supervisors.
- Undertake any other duties as assigned, in line with the NEC's evolving priorities and operational requirements.

#### **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.

##### **Experience:**

- Demonstrated experience in economic research and macroeconomic policy analysis, with substantial expertise in designing and implementing research methodologies and program frameworks.
- Proven ability to deliver results and drive impact in complex and dynamic environments, including post-conflict or developing country settings.
- Substantial experience engaging with senior government officials, private sector leaders, and civil society stakeholders, preferably within developing countries.
- Experience working within academic or research organizations is highly desirable.
- Strong leadership skills and a demonstrated capacity to manage projects, processes, and multidisciplinary teams.

##### **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.