



GRAIN SA GROUP OF ENTITIES

The Grain SA Group of Entities' mission is to ensure and grow a credible and sustainable voluntary and inclusive grain producers' organisation that drives the mandated strategic actions.

By striving to build trust and relationships through respectful interaction, we create an enabling and caring environment for passionate, dedicated and knowledgeable individuals to grow and enjoy serving the organisation and influence the broader food chain.

The organization would like to appoint a suitable, qualified person for the following position:

JUNIOR AGRICULTURAL ECONOMIST - PRETORIA

The incumbent will be responsible for the following key performance areas.

Market-, Input- and Production Research:

- Maintain market, input and production research databases and relevant web information.
- Conducts input, production and market research analysis on grain and oilseeds in order to advise on grain and oilseed economic conditions, including morning market reports, etc.
- Presentations to working groups, meetings, farmer days and research presentations to relevant stakeholders.
- Collecting of input costs and setting up of enterprise budgets.
- A strong focus on member interests and solutions would be needed.

Advisory:

- Writing of articles, newsletters, and contributions to different media sources for publication.
- Compile and analyse comprehensive grain economic, input, market and production reports.
- Making projections and forecasts and interpreting the findings.
- Attendance and presentations at farmer days and industry meetings.

Administration:

- Proofread minutes of the commodity & other specialist working group meetings and assisting the Committee Officer on admin related matters.
- Writing of reports, facilitating and arranging meetings.
- Assist with maintaining of the Economics Department's database.
- Data collection and updating of datasheets.

Information Sharing:

- Engage and liaise with relevant stakeholders in the grain industry/agriculture on agricultural policies.
- Assist members regarding concerns and challenges regarding the grain industry.
- Process data into information for Grain SA members and the grain value chain, including the public.

Enquiries:

- Ensure service delivery through the handling of enquiries from Grain SA members, the general public, financial institutions, research institutes, government officials, management, etc.

Ad-hoc Research:

- Examples include: Input markets; import- and export markets, producer price/retail spread and vertical integration in markets.
- Performs statistical analysis as the need arises.

Inter-departmental Support:

- Support to Applied Economics and Member services team, Marketing team and Research team.

Various other duties are included and are available on request.

Requirements for the Post:

- BCom Agricultural Economics / BSc Agricultural Economics
- 1-3 years relevant experience
- Computer literate in all MS Office programmes on intermediate level (Power BI and data analysis (data science) would be a strong advantage)
- Fully bilingual in English and Afrikaans (written and spoken language)
- In depth knowledge of the grain industry.
- Willingness to learn and expand knowledge
- Strong public speaking skills.
- Excellent communication skills and professional behaviour.
- Willing and able to work overtime which may include weekends.
- Ability to travel extensively and be away from home for extensive periods.
- Valid driver's licence
- Own Transport

Peromnes Level: P9

Remuneration: The organization will offer a competitive salary which can be structured to include a bonus savings plan, pension fund and medical aid, in exchange for the services of the successful candidate. All remuneration packages are calculated according to the "cost to company" method.

Candidates for this position will be recruited according to the Employment Equity policy for Grain SA.

Closing date: Please send a detailed CV indicating qualifications as well as experience and two recent written references as well as certified copies of ID and qualifications not later than 18 July 2025 for attention: Lizzy Mosehla, Human Resources Administrator: lizzy@grainsa.co.za Kindly clearly indicate in your subject heading which position you are applying for.

Applications without the required documentation will not be considered

All applications will be treated as confidential. If you have not been contacted within 14 days of the closing date of your application, please consider your application as unsuccessful.