



Lincoln Institute of Land Policy and African Tax Institute Fellowships

Call for Applications

2010 Property Taxation Research Fellowships

In 2007 the **Lincoln Institute of Land Policy** (Lincoln Institute), based in Cambridge, Massachusetts in the United States and the **African Tax Institute** (ATI), located in the Department of Economics at the University of Pretoria, South Africa embarked on a comprehensive property tax research project on the African continent. The primary objectives of this project are the following:

- To develop a comprehensive template to collect data regarding all forms of property taxation in Africa that could be updated and maintained with relative ease;
- To report and reflect in a concise, uniform and comparable manner on property-related taxes levied and collected in Africa;
- To report on property tax systems as *legislated* in African countries;
- To reflect on property tax systems as *practised* in African countries;
- To establish the importance and extent of annual property taxes as sources of national and/or municipal revenue in Africa;
- To establish the importance and extent of property transfer taxes as sources of national and/or municipal revenue in Africa;
- To comment on the future role of property taxation in Africa; and
- To discern general trends in the application of property taxation throughout Africa.

To achieve these objectives, the Lincoln Institute and the ATI are interested to collaborate with research fellows from various countries on the African continent. From 2007 to 2009 a total of 12 research fellows have been selected to research property taxation in a total of 48 African countries.

For 2010 applications are invited to research property-related taxes in the remaining 5 countries in Africa, as indicated below. **Applications must be received by November 13, 2009 and the successful candidates will be notified by December 4, 2009.**

Djibouti

A comprehensive review of the property-related taxes in **Djibouti**.

Minimum Requirements:

The ideal applicant will be –

- In possession of at least an undergraduate qualification in public finance, law, urban economics, property management or another appropriate area of study
- Appropriately qualified to undertake research on property taxation
- Fluent in Arabic or French
- Proficient in English
- A national of and/or residing in Djibouti

Scope of Work:

The successful applicant will be expected to –

- Submit a comprehensive research proposal by **December 18, 2009**
- Collect relevant data on property taxation
- Submit a progress report by **March 26, 2010**
- Attend a fellowship workshop arranged by the African Tax Institute during 2010
- Submit a final report in Arabic, French or English on or before **June 25, 2010** consisting of –
 - a detailed country report on the status of property taxation in Djibouti
 - a brief, two page summary on property taxation in Djibouti
 - a completed country template on Djibouti

Research Award:

An amount of **US\$ 4,000** – payable in instalments (depending on satisfactory progress).

Duration of Fellowship:

The fellowship is granted for a 6 month period - strictly dependent on satisfactory progress.

Applications:

Applications must include –

- An acceptable research proposal (maximum 5 pages) on how the study should be undertaken, given the above-stated objectives
- A comprehensive curriculum vitae
- Certified copies of the applicant's undergraduate and, where applicable, postgraduate academic record

Applications must be sent by fax or email to –

Fax: +27 12 420 4508

Email: ati@up.ac.za

Deadline for applications: Friday **November 13, 2009**

Note that all applications will be evaluated in accordance with the following criteria:

Criteria to be Applied	Weight
Comprehensiveness of Application	10
Appropriateness of Qualifications	10
Research Proposal	40
Proficiency in English	20
Fluency in Arabic or French	10
Nationality/Residence	10
Total	100

Equatorial Guinea

A comprehensive review of the property-related taxes in **Equatorial Guinea**.

Minimum Requirements:

The ideal applicant will be –

- In possession of at least an undergraduate qualification in public finance, law, urban economics, property management or another appropriate area of study
- Appropriately qualified to undertake research on property taxation
- Fluent in Spanish or French
- Proficient in English
- A national of and/or residing in Equatorial Guinea

Scope of Work:

The successful applicant will be expected to –

- Submit a comprehensive research proposal by **December 18, 2009**
- Collect relevant data on property taxation
- Submit a progress report by **March 26, 2010**
- Attend a fellowship workshop arranged by the African Tax Institute during 2010
- Submit a final report in Spanish, French or English on or before **June 25, 2010** consisting of –
 - a detailed country report on the status of property taxation in Equatorial Guinea
 - a brief, two page summary on property taxation in Equatorial Guinea
 - a completed country template on Equatorial Guinea

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An amount of US\$ **4,000** – payable in instalments (depending on satisfactory progress).

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Fluency in Spanish or French	10
Nationality/Residence	10
Total	100

Eritrea

A comprehensive review of the property-related taxes in **Eritrea**.

Minimum Requirements:

The ideal applicant will be –

- In possession of at least an undergraduate qualification in public finance, law, urban economics, property management or another appropriate area of study
- Appropriately qualified to undertake research on property taxation
- Fluent in Arabic
- Proficient in English
- A national of and/or residing in Eritrea

Scope of Work:

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- Submit a final report in Arabic or English on or before **June 25, 2010** consisting of –
 - a detailed country report on the status of property taxation in Eritrea
 - a brief, two page summary on property taxation in Eritrea
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Proficiency in English	20
Fluency in Arabic and Afar	10
Nationality/Residence	10
Total	100

Somalia

A comprehensive review of the property-related taxes in **Somalia**.

Minimum Requirements:

The ideal applicant will be –

- In possession of at least an undergraduate qualification in public finance, law, urban economics, property management or another appropriate area of study
- Appropriately qualified to undertake research on property taxation
- Fluent in Arabic and Somali
- Proficient in English
- A national of and/or residing in Somalia

Scope of Work:

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 - a detailed country report on the status of property taxation in Somalia
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Fluency in Arabic	10
Nationality/Residence	10
Total	100

Sudan

A comprehensive review of the property-related taxes in **Sudan**.

Minimum Requirements:

The ideal applicant will be –

- In possession of at least an undergraduate qualification in public finance, law, urban economics, property management or another appropriate area of study
- Appropriately qualified to undertake research on property taxation
- Fluent in Arabic
- Proficient in English
- A national of and/or residing in Sudan

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