Call for Funding for Postgraduate Research in Kiswahili

The East African Kiswahili Commission (EAKC) is an institution of the East African Community (EAC) mandated to coordinate and promote the use of Kiswahili for regional integration and sustainable development. It also has the mandate to implement Kiswahili as an official language of the EAC following the declaration of the 21st Summit of EAC Heads of State. The implementation of these mandates, among other things, requires building capacities for research and developing a new generation group of Kiswahili researchers, scholars and practitioners in the EAC Partner States. In view of this, the EAKC wishes to announce this call to support research activities of postgraduate students undertaking research on Kiswahili.

Eligibility

The prospective applicants:

- Must demonstrate citizenship to one of the EAC Partner States;
- Must provide evidence of registration as a postgraduate student in a recognized higher learning institution in the EAC;

Application procedure;

Applicants for research grants are expected to submit the following:

- Curriculum vitae
- Approved research proposal on any area on Kiswahili language, preferably on role of Kiswahili in EAC integration/development;
- A motivational letter on why they need the support;
- Confirmation/recommendation from the university specifying the research stage;
- Estimated budget to facilitate data collection and analysis;
- Proof of nationality to an EAC Partner State;
- Two reference letters- one from supervisor and another from the institution where training is being undertaken;
- A plan for dissemination research findings.
Timelines

- Application documents should reach the EAKC not later than 10\textsuperscript{th} June 2022
- Successful applicants will be informed by 24\textsuperscript{th} June 2022.
- Research progress reports to be submitted to EAKC by 30\textsuperscript{th} November 2022

Applicants are required to submit their complete applications to the address below by 10\textsuperscript{th} June, 2022

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