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**Economist/Researcher (Intermediate Level) : Sustainable Growth**

Trade & Industrial Policy Strategies (TIPS) is looking for an **Economist/Researcher in its Sustainable Growth team** with four to five years’ work experience to undertake research around green industrial policy in South Africa and the region. TIPS’s research approach is on generating and analysing evidence-based options for industrial policy as the key to more inclusive and sustainable economic growth. You can see more about our work at [www.tips.org.za](http://www.tips.org.za).

**Qualification, Experience and Competences Required**

* A Master’s degree in Economics or a related field (Development Studies, Political Science, International Affairs, etc.) with a strong economics component;
* 4-5 years of experience in policy research and analysis;
* A demonstrated interest and expertise in themes related to the green economy and industrial development;
* Experience and/or knowledge of issues related to natural capital, water and sanitation would be an added advantage;
* Strong writing, editing and presentation skills, with an excellent command of written and spoken English;
* Knowledge of national and international developments on sustainable development issues;
* Strong computer skills, with a proven ability to analyse quantitative information;
* Attention to detail, be highly organised, and be able to work both in a team and independently;
* Ability to work in a multicultural and multidisciplinary setting;
* Capacity to work under pressure and to adhere strictly to deadlines;
* Willingness to learn and do the job, multi-task and be flexible; and
* Demonstrate an energetic and enthusiastic personality.

**Scope of Work**

* Performing economic policy research (both qualitative and quantitative analysis) on green economy policy issues under the guidance of project managers;
* Liaising with and supporting the relevant policy-making entities dealing with green economy issues in South Africa (and elsewhere in the region as appropriate) in line with TIPS's mandate and priorities;
* Contributing to the dissemination of TIPS’s research through policy briefs, working papers, journal articles, book chapters, presentations and communication-orientated pieces;
* Providing internal content, in conjunction with TIPS’s staff, on various research projects, proposals, workshops, training, events, publications, and other outputs; and
* Supervising and mentoring junior staff.

**Who we are:**

Trade & Industrial Policy Strategies (TIPS) is an independent, non-profit, economic research institution based in Pretoria. It was established in 1996 to support economic policy development, with an emphasis on industrial policy, in South Africa and the region. TIPS has three main areas of work: trade and industrial policy; inequality and economic inclusion; and sustainable growth.

TIPS’s main objectives are to undertake in-depth economic analyses, especially at the industrial level; to provide quality research as the basis for improving industrial policy as well as broader economic development strategies; and to support an increasingly dynamic and evidence-based discourse on industrial policy and inclusive growth with academics, other researchers and stakeholders.

TIPS offers high-quality quantitative and qualitative research, project management, dialogue facilitation, capacity building and knowledge sharing. TIPS undertakes commissioned research, as well as policy papers and think pieces around industrial policy and economic development.