NESG Non-Residential Fellowship Programme

Fellow’s Activities Book

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Outline

• Scope and Structure of Fellowship
• Fellows’ Activities and Deliverables
The broad objective of the NRFP is to bridge the gap between socio-economic research and public policy, and promote evidence-based policy making in Nigeria.

Other objectives include:
- To encourage interactions among academia, governments, private sector and non-governmental organization.
- To promote evidence-based policy making by transmitting valuable research outputs and interventions into the policy making process.

The Programme will bring together outstanding high-level intellectuals in the academia, research-based institutions and the private sector to support the research and advocacy work of the NESG. The Programme will encourage collaboration and ideas sharing among experts and ensure that findings from its research are applied in practice.
i. RESEARCH
• Under the guidance of the NESG Management, Fellows will select research projects relevant to the development of the Nigerian economy. These research projects will reflect the sub-themes or emerging issues within the scope of the cluster group.

ii. DIALOGUE SESSIONS
• Some Fellows will be seconded to work with Policy Commissions, Public Policy Management Unit and Policy Innovation Unit based on their experience and expertise.
• In this position, they will work as "Technical Expert" to selected Policy Commission.
• Also, each research cluster is expected to organise "Quarterly Policy Dialogue" to discuss and share findings with stakeholders.

iii. ADVOCACY
• In collaboration with NESG's Information & Communication and Research Departments, Fellows will engage advocacy activities which include interviews with media outfits, including radio stations, television stations, and print media.

iv. MEETING
• An important part of the Fellowship programme is the "Fellows' Meeting", which is expected to occur on a "quarterly basis".
NESG Non-Residential Fellowship Programme (NRFP) – Structure

Each Fellow is expected to belong to at least one cluster

Research Clusters
- Macroeconomy
  - Economic Structure and Growth pattern
  - Inflation targeting and macroeconomic stability in Nigeria
  - Exchange rate management & growth stability
- Digital Economy
  - Knowledge economy
  - Digitisation of economic activities or value chains
  - Innovations and creation of new markets
  - Fourth Industrial Revolution & Nigeria
- Governance, Institutions, Security & Corruption
  - Societal trends and the role of government
  - Regulation and policymaking process
  - Anti-corruption, transparency and accountability
  - Sub-national governments and economic growth
  - Inclusive governance and citizenry engagement
  - Security and social stability
- SDGs & Human Capital Dev.
  - Human capital development and SDGs
  - Education and SDGs
  - Health and SDGs
- Trade
  - Nigeria’s Trade Regulation and Policy environment
  - African Continental Free Trade Area Agreement
  - Trade Infrastructure – Ports, Rails, Road, etc.
  - Foreign Trade in Goods
  - Trade in Services
- Sectoral Deepening - Agriculture
  - Agricultural Transformation and economic growth
  - Government interventions and impacts on sectoral performance
  - Other evolving issues

Sub Themes
- Macroeconomy
- Digital Economy
- Governance, Institutions, Security & Corruption
- SDGs & Human Capital Dev.
- Trade
- Sectoral Deepening - Agriculture
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Planned Activities & Deliverables – January – June 2022

Fellows Activities in the first 6 months of the Programme

INDUCTION & ONBOARDING
- Induction of new Senior Fellows in November 2021

RESEARCH PROJECT IDEATION
- Onboarding of Senior Fellows
- Development of concept notes for projects
- Presentation of research ideas

COMMENCEMENT OF RESEARCH PROJECT
- Additional onboarding activities in January 2022
- Submission of the first draft of research report by May 2022
- Contribution of at least one research article to NESG’s EPR

POLICY DIALOGUE
- Policy Dialogue by Fellows (Three "Policy Dialogue" by three different research clusters) in May and June 2022
Planned Activities & Deliverables – July – December 2022

- **FELLOWS MEETING**
  - General meeting of Fellows to discuss on progress and issues affecting the programme

- **RESEARCH PROJECT**
  - Submission of the final draft of research report by October 2022
  - Three “Policy Dialogue” by three different research clusters

- **YEAR END ASSESSMENT OF FELLOWS**
  - A detailed performance of Fellows
  - Feedbacks on effectiveness of NRFP

Fellows activities in months 7-12 of the Programme
Fellows Activities in months 13-18 of the Programme

- General meeting of Fellows to outline key projects in second year of the programme.

RESEARCH ACTIVITIES
- Production of policy briefs from research project.
- Contribution of at least one research article to NESG’s EPR.

POLICY DIALOGUE
- Three “Policy Dialogue” by three different research clusters to discuss viability of policy recommendations with stakeholders.

FELLOWS MEETING
- Policy Dialogue by Fellows (Three “Policy Dialogue” by three different research clusters) in May and June 2022
Planned Activities & Deliverables – July– December 2023

**Fellows Activities in the final 6 months of the Programme**

**RESEARCH ACTIVITIES**
- Production of policy briefs from research project.
- Contribution of at least one research article to NESG’s EPR.

**POLICY DIALOGUE**
- Three “Policy Dialogue” by three different research clusters to discuss viability of policy recommendations with stakeholders.

**FELLOWSHIP VALEDICTORY**
- Secondment of Fellows to Technical Committee of NES.
Thank You