

Vacancy: Climate change, energy and environmental analyst and promotion officer at the Embassy of Sweden in Pretoria

The Embassy of Sweden is looking to hire an analyst and promotion officer to the Embassy's political and economic section. The person we are looking for is a responsible, analytical, and diligent team-player, with climate change, energy and environmental policy knowledge and interest. Research policy and cooperation, as well as higher education collaboration is also part of the responsibilities of the position.

The right candidate has integrity, good relation-building skills, is an opportunity-oriented person with the ability to take initiatives within the responsibilities of the role. Excellent English is a requirement. Knowledge in Swedish and about Swedish policies is an advantage but not a prerequisite.

South Africa and Sweden have a long history of bilateral collaboration and enjoy strong bilateral ties. There is a wide range of areas of interest in the Swedish-South African relation, often relating to global and local challenges such as climate change, sustainable urban development, water policies, and collaborations within higher education/research for future needs. The Embassy also has a strong engagement in for example democracy, human rights, trade matters and security policy. The Embassy is also responsible for the relations to Namibia, Botswana and Lesotho.

Primary responsibilities:

- Monitoring of South African and regional issues related to environment and climate change, water, science and technology, higher education, including in relation to political and commercial interests of Sweden;
- Maintain and develop relations with representatives of the South African government;
- Communication with representatives of the Swedish Foreign Ministry and Swedish Governmental departments and agencies;
- Plan, coordinate and execute promotion projects and events as part of the Embassy's promotion team and the political and economic section.
- Independently write reports on matters relating to the above;
- Develop programmes and support visiting delegations from and to Sweden.

Requirements:

- Strong initiative, self-motivation and drive;
- Good analytical skills;
- Strong spoken and written English and highly developed communication skills;
- Problem-solving abilities, attention to detail and efficient administrative skills;



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- Bachelor's degree (minimum) in relevant field/s;
- Ability and interest in teamwork;
- Non-South African citizen applying must hold a valid transferable residence and work permit or have Permanent Residency status in South Africa;
- Applicants must have a clean criminal record. Security clearance from relevant Swedish authorities will have to be obtained based on a South African police clearance;
- The successful candidate will embrace the Embassy core values of equality and openness and enjoy the task to represent Sweden and Swedish interests in South Africa.

Application:

An application including a motivational letter and CV should be sent to the Embassy at ambassaden.pretoria@gov.se no later than **18 December 2022**.

Tentative starting date: 1 March 2023. The contract will start with a six-month probation period.

Contact:

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