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## New PEP call for proposals

### Policy Analysis on Growth and Employment - PAGE II, 2<sup>nd</sup> round

In 2016, PEP was granted funding by the Department for International Development of the United Kingdom (UK Aid) and the International Development Research Centre (IDRC) of Canada, to implement a new research and capacity building program on "Policy Analysis on Growth and Employment" (PAGE-II) in developing countries.

The call has now been launched for projects to be supported under the program's second funding round.



Deadline for submission is **September 13, 2017**

#### To build and promote local expertise

PEP invites teams of (individual) developing country researchers to submit proposals for policy analysis projects related to growth and employment issues at home. In addition to financial support, PEP grant recipients benefit from a unique program of manifold support to conduct **high-quality and policy-engaged research**.

Priority is given to researchers in **low-income economies, fragile and/or conflict-affected situations (LFCs)**. Proposals from all developing countries are welcome. PEP particularly encourages female-led teams (**at least 50% female participation** is required).

#### For the analysis of country-relevant policy issues

Priority issues for this call include:

- **Youth employment** - supply and demand side constraints and related policy options
- **Gender** and women's economic empowerment
- **Entrepreneurship and financial inclusion** for inclusive growth
- **Productive employment in rural farm and non-farm sectors** - increasing labour productivity and reducing factor market imperfections
- **Sectoral composition and patterns of economic growth** - implications for job-creation employment and poverty reduction

**N.B.** Teams must consult closely with their intended research users to define demand-driven policy research questions within these broad themes.

#### From a variety of analytical perspectives

PEP specializes in and provides scientific support for a variety of cutting-edge methodologies, tools, and techniques for economic development research. For this call, PEP will support policy analysis projects that use one of the following approaches/methods:

- **Field experiments**
- **Macro-micro policy simulations** (using CGE models)
- **Microeconomic analysis**

In addition to advanced scientific training and mentoring, teams will be guided in the design and implementation of an effective policy engagement and communication strategy.

**Find out more** about this call, eligibility and how to apply: [www.pep-net.org](http://www.pep-net.org)