



Arab Bank for Economic Development in Africa

**The Fifth Research Program
on Economic Development for 2014**

The **Arab Bank for Economic Development in Africa (BADEA)** invites specialized Research Institutes, Centers and Academic Institutions –public and private- in Africa and the Arab world to compete in the implementation of this program by conducting research on the specified topics listed under the mentioned program, and in accordance with the conditions specified hereunder.

Objectives:

The objectives of the program are to:

- Encourage researchers to foster and enhance Arab-African cooperation on economic development, and to access and exchange research findings about the Afro-Arab cooperation in the area of development.
- Highlight the Arab role in the economic and social development of the African countries.
- Raise awareness about the need to attach importance to Afro- Arab cooperation and enhance knowledge exchange in the area of economic and Social development, both in Arab and African regions.
- Develop initiatives and innovative ways to strengthening the Afro-Arab cooperation in the area of development.
- Promote BADEA's activities in Sub-saharan Africa region.
- Support economic policies of African states eligible for BADEA's assistance.

Terms and Conditions:

- Interested institutions should submit detailed research proposals describing the subject of research, hypotheses, methodology and outline. BADEA's Evaluation Committee shall review the proposals to ensure their relevance and conformity with the guidelines of BADEA's research program. BADEA reserves the right to admit or reject the research proposals.

- Researchers should be specialized in either economics or related fields. One or more researchers can participate in the preparation of the study.
- Studies should be based on original and recent research, and should not be presented elsewhere in any national, regional or international forum, or have been published before.
- A research contract will be signed by BADEA and the Head of the relevant research Institution, or his delegate.
- The first draft of the study shall be reviewed by an Evaluation Committee at BADEA. The comments of this Committee shall then be communicated to the Research Institution for consideration and necessary revision before submitting the final version. Moreover, BADEA reserves the right to admit or reject research according to the observations of the Evaluation Committee.
- BADEA will have the right of ownership of the studies, and will also have the right to publish and distribute them as deem appropriate. The study shall carry BADEA's emblem according to uniform cover page especially prepared for all researches and studies.
- The studies can be prepared in either, Arabic, English or French languages. The study report shall be between 45 and 65 pages, size A4 font 14.
- To avoid any difficulties during printing or publication process, research should be submitted as a "Word" file ; Figures and graphics must be original and should not be copied or taken from references used when preparing the research.
- The final reports of studies should be completed and sent, electronically, to BADEA within six months from the date of signature of the research Contract.

- The reward for a single research project is US\$ 25000 (twenty five thousand dollars) payable to the Research Institution upon completion of the study incorporating the comments communicated by BADEA's Evaluation committee. The equivalent of that sum, in Sudanese currency will be paid to research institutions located in Sudan, based on the current exchange rate at the time of payment.

Research Topics:

- Afro-Arab cooperation in natural disasters management (drought, soil erosion, flood and agricultural pests).
- The Arab and African Cooperation in the field of microfinance, for poverty reduction in Sub-saharan Africa countries : Present status and challenges
- The role of Arab Financial Institutions in promoting Afro - Arab Trade exchange.
- The means to encourage Arab private sector to invest in Sub- Saharan Africa countries.

The following documents should be attached with the research proposal:-

- **The Researcher's Curriculum Vitae.**
- **Brief on the Research Institute.**

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