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The Water Research Commission (WRC) is a dynamic hub for water and sanitation knowledge, innovation and intellectual capital, providing leadership and the support research, development and innovation of water and sanitation solutions. It engages stakeholders and partners involving water and sanitation challenges and opportunities, which are crucial to South-Africa's sustainable development and economic growth, and is committed to promoting a better quality of life for all. The WRC is a schedule 3A public entity and adherence to required legislation is imperative to the organization's strategy and values.

Applications are invited from suitably qualified, experienced individuals for the **Giyani**-based position of:

### **Enterprise Development Manager – (Ref EDM)**

#### **(3 Year Contract)**

This position calls for the services of a suitably qualified, well-motivated and results driven Enterprise Development Manager. The incumbent will be responsible for implementing and advising the Giyani Local Scale Climate Resilience Programme in selected communities in Giyani, Limpopo, the Enterprise Development (ED) strategy and plan, negotiating local business partnerships and establishing and executing the ED training programme. He/she will form part of the Innovation and Impact Branch and report to the **Technology Transfer Manager**.

Applicants must be in possession of a relevant Degree or equivalent NQF level 7 qualification. A post graduate qualification will be an advantage. 4-5 years' experience in Enterprise Development at local level, working within the IPR Act and other relevant legislation, fast tracking innovation, a network of role players in the ED value chain, business development practices, demonstrates ability to link technology and entrepreneurs to the market, and ability to develop markets, is necessary whilst experience in commercialisation and innovation environment will be advantageous. The successful candidate must have sound knowledge of intellectual property and commercialization practices.

The **Enterprise Development Manager** will lead, manage and monitor the Strategy and Operational Plan in respect of local economic development (LED) priorities for the project in Giyani and ensure project support is aligned to the community, provincial, district and local objectives. He/She will scan and evaluate complementary technologies and innovations across the WEF value chain. This will include identifying and mapping current and potential small businesses/enterprises, youth and women in order to support Multiple Water Use Services (MUS) construction, operations & maintenance. In addition, the incumbent will be responsible for developing and implementing market development plans based on Programme priorities and mobilizing enterprise networks and public sector entities to support local economic development.

The appointment will be made in line with the WRC's employment equity plan and the WRC supports applications from individuals with a disability. To apply please submit your CV to Human Resources, via email to [hr@wrc.org.za](mailto:hr@wrc.org.za) quoting clearly the reference number as a subject matter. Only CV's received via email will be considered. The closing date for all applications is 08 February 2022. Applicants who



have not been contacted by 28 February 2022 should consider their application for this position as unsuccessful.