

## **The International Monetary Fund (IMF) Recruitment Mission to Japan (Tokyo & Kyoto)**

The mission is looking to conduct preliminary interviews for suitably qualified candidates for employment in Washington as experienced economists, experienced economists with financial sector experience, as well as candidates for its entry level Economist Program. Candidates resident or studying in these cities, or its proximity, are encouraged to apply directly to [tvacher@imf.org](mailto:tvacher@imf.org) . Unfortunately only shortlisted candidates will be contacted for the interviews.

The mission dates are: **March 12<sup>th</sup> -16<sup>th</sup> 2012**

### **1. Experienced Economists**

#### **Duties**

Experienced macroeconomists analyze complex economic issues and monitor economic developments in IMF member countries. Economists are responsible for alerting management of significant economic changes and issues; preparing reports following country visit; and handling issues related to the IMF's work, including taxation and public expenditure, international financial markets and financial stability, debt management, exchange rate management, and banking supervision. An experienced economist works in a division, reports to the division chief, and often participates in mission assignments as an important contributing member of a country team.

#### **Qualification**

Experienced economists must have solid analytical skills and strong written and oral communication skills in English. Experienced economists should have 5 to 10 years of experience as professionals handling economic policy issues at the national level and/or in academia and be knowledgeable on global economic and financial stability issues. Strong understanding of macro-fiscal policy issues would be a plus. All economist positions require a graduate-level degree (preferably at the Ph.D. level) in macroeconomics, financial economics, or in related fields, such as monetary economics, public finance, banking and financial sector. Candidates should have an interest in, and aptitude for, working in an international organization.

### **2. Experienced Economists with Financial Market Experience**

#### **Duties**

Experienced economists with financial market experience bring together graduate level economic/financial training, experience in the financial market, and understanding of policymaking to help assess the stability of the global financial system. The successful candidate examines the way the international financial system interacts with wider market forces and evaluates the implications for the global financial architecture as a whole, and for

individual countries. The successful candidate advises on the soundness of a country's monetary and financial system and the effectiveness of its regulatory oversight, and assists in strengthening and developing the country's financial policies and systems. Recent market stresses have placed these issues at the core of policymaking, and the successful candidate is expected to provide recommendations to promote the stability of financial systems, monetary and exchange regimes, and debt and equity capital markets.

### **Qualification**

In addition to a graduate-level degree in macroeconomics, financial economics, or related field, candidates should have 5 to 10 years experience working in financial markets. All economist positions require strong analytical skills and good written and oral communication skills in English. A good understanding of the way financial markets work and of how they operate within the broader macroeconomic and political environment within which policy is made is necessary.

### **3. Entry-Level Economists (Economist Program)**

#### **Duties**

The Economist Program (EP) is the "point of entry" for talented, young economists interested in pursuing a professional-level career in international economics, monetary and financial sector, and/or public finance. EPs work closely with experienced staff members and are given considerable responsibility to carry out operations-related analysis and research. They participate in Fund missions, undertaking challenging assignments on a wide range of economic, financial, and developmental issues.

#### **Qualification**

EPs must have graduate-level training in macroeconomics or a relevant field with specialization in international economics, monetary economics, banking and financial sector and public finance, preferably at the PhD level. We are particularly interested in recent Ph.D. graduates, or students who will shortly be completing their program, whose degree is either in (i) economics with a research focus in international finance; (ii) finance with a solid understanding of macroeconomics; or (iii) economics or finance with research interest/experience in macro-fiscal and fiscal risk analysis, tax policy, pension reform, poverty issues, and the nexus between financial markets and fiscal issues. Candidates with a strong MA/MBA in economics, finance, quantitative methods, or international relations/public policy with graduate level macroeconomics, AND a minimum of three years relevant practical experience in financial sector and/or economic research, may also be considered.