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Dear Interested Applicants,

We are proud to announce on behalf of the Africa Initiative, a joint partnership between The Centre for International Governance Innovation (CIGI) and Makerere University (MAK), that the research grants competition is now accepting new proposals for funding of up to \$15,000 CAD.

We would like to invite applicants to submit proposals that are field-based and address substantive-policy relevant challenges facing African policy makers at national, regional, and global levels in one or more of the areas of conflict resolution, energy, food security, health, migration, and the cross-cutting theme of climate change.

The Africa Initiative encourages proposals from relevant fields of physical sciences and social sciences. Applicants must hold a doctorate degree at the time of applying in addition to being a resident of Canada or an African country. Canadian-based researchers must be either in the early (i.e. post-doctoral or assistant professor) or middle (associate professor) stages in their careers.

While the Africa Initiative will give due consideration to any proposal consistent with the overall aim of this project, special consideration will be given to proposed research that:

- Aims to develop innovative approaches to addressing policy challenges in the Africa Initiative's thematic areas
- Attempts to inform both policy makers and academics
- Examines the interface between human behaviour and the various themes as they relate to the design and implementation of public policy in Africa
- Involves questions that are especially amenable to cross-national comparison and can be addressed through field-based research in Africa
- Seeks to collect data that can be used by policy makers in Africa
- Develops policy-relevant conceptual models for potential use by policy makers in Africa

While future competitions may be announced in due course, the upcoming deadline for submitting proposals is Tuesday, January 31, 2012.

For important information on the grant application procedure, including details regarding proposal submissions and the disbursement of the grants, please click [here](#).

The Africa Initiative looks forward to supporting this important research that builds knowledge and capacity on policy issues critical to the continent.

Sincerely,



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