

The IMF is launching a new Fellowship Program to further policy-relevant research of interest to the international financial community.

This year-long Fellowship program is aimed at attracting promising economists with a substantial research record in leading journals and a strong interest in the policy-relevant work conducted at the IMF.

The IMF provides a unique environment for researchers interested in working on macroeconomic and financial issues given its close monitoring of economic developments around the world, its access to information, and the presence of a large, knowledgeable, professional staff with whom IMF Fellows will interact. In return, the IMF has a lot to learn from academic research on these issues.

IMF Fellows will spend the year working on mutually agreed topics that are relevant to the work of the IMF. While hosted by the Research Department, Fellows will also be expected to interact with staff in other departments of the IMF. The work produced over the year can be disseminated through IMF Working Papers and other channels.

The program, which will start in September 2012, offers up to four fellowships. Salary and other benefits are competitive, and include allowances for relocation and conference travel.

Fellows will be chosen through a competitive application process. Applications should be sent by **December 1, 2011** to imffellowshipprogram@imf.org. Applications must include:

- The applicant's *curriculum vitae*
- An outline (1-2 pages) of the proposed research project(s) to be carried out while at the IMF
- Links to (or copies of) 1-2 research papers authored by the applicant

Questions about the program can be directed to imffellowshipprogram@imf.org.