

Regional bank offers graduate youths career opportunities

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East Africa Development Bank has announced career opportunities for young graduates in the region as it prepares to expand into two new markets.

Kigali, Bujumbura - The bank plans to set up country offices in Rwanda and Burundi, the last entrants into the East African Community, having been admitted by Uganda, Kenya and Tanzania in June 2007. Together they have enlarged the East African population to more than 100 million people creating a market for further business and career development.

“The bank is seeking to recruit, through its Young Professionals Programme (YPP), graduates who are interested in exciting career opportunities in a growing regional institution and who have potential to become future leader of our institution,” said a bank statement.

Among other credentials, candidates should hold a first-class degree, be no older than 30, with a master's degree in any field, be computer literate and have two years' working experience. The opportunities are open to graduates in the fields of economics, information technology, banking, business administration, law, accounting, finance, social sciences engineering and human resources.

Successful applicants will be enrolled into the two-year programme with the bank's branches to be opened soon. According to the bank, the young professionals will be paid a salary, given housing, health and relocation benefits. “Following which, the successful individuals will be offered three-year renewable contracts,” the statement said.

Interested graduates can send their applications to recruitment@eadb.org before July 23, 2007 or mail them to the bank's headquarters in Kampala (Uganda) or country offices in Nairobi (Kenya) and Dar es Salaam (Tanzania).

The programme seeks to develop and enrich graduates' careers through on-the-job training, internships with other development finance institutions in the region and globally, specialized training and mentoring among others.

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