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Director: Rural Development and Innovation Hub (Community Engagement) (Five-year contract appointment)

**Requirements:**

- Minimum qualification: Master's degree. A PhD will be a recommended qualification.
- Minimum 10 years' relevant experience in community development and engagement in a higher education institution.
- Knowledge, understanding and expertise of innovation in a rural context.
- Expertise in managing a team, project management and community engagement.
- Excellent people, strategic leadership, financial management and information management skills; communication and problem-solving abilities.
- Awareness of international best practice for rural development and community engagement.

**Duties:**

The successful applicant will be required to:

- Overall leadership, management and policy development and implementation of the activities of the Rural Development and Innovation Hub, and community engagement.
- Participation in governance structures of the University.
- Provide strategic direction to the University in terms of rural development and community engagement.
- Plan and implement integrated projects on community engagement, research and teaching and learning.
- Facilitate change and transformation in the operations of the Rural Development and Innovation Hub to keep abreast of developments in community engagement.
- Oversee effective management of the resources of the Rural Development and Innovation Hub (material, human, financial, technological).
- Manage customer advice and support; systems and team management.
- Liaison with external communities and organisations, including donors.

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Closing date: 7 July 2017

Typed applications which should contain comprehensive curriculum vitae, certified copies of all qualifications and contact details of three referees, should be forwarded, for the attention of Mr MD Selolo, to the Chief Human Resources Officer, Private Bag X 1106, Sovenga, 0727 or e-mail applications, in MS Word format, to [marua.selolo@ul.ac.za](mailto:marua.selolo@ul.ac.za).

*Telephonic enquiries regarding conditions of service: (015) 268-3992.*

*It is the applicant's responsibility to have foreign obtained qualifications evaluated by the South African Qualification Authority. Please also note that failure to submit the requested documents/information will result in your application not being considered.*

*The University of Limpopo is an Equal Opportunity Employer. All appointments will be made in accordance with the University's Employment Equity Plan. Preference will be given to males (Coloureds and Indians) and females (Coloureds, Indians, Whites and Africans).*

*Correspondence will be limited to short-listed candidates only. Applicants who have not been contacted within 30 days of the closing date must consider their applications as unsuccessful.*

*The University reserves the right not to make an appointment.*

