



UNIVERSITY OF NAIROBI
FACULTY OF BUSINESS AND MANAGEMENT SCIENCES
DEPARTMENT OF MANAGEMENT SCIENCE AND PROJECT PLANNING

ADVERTISEMENT FOR ETH MENTORSHIP AND POTENTIAL COMPETITIVE DOCTORAL MENTORSHIP GRANT

The Department of Management Science and Project Planning, Faculty of Business and Management Sciences in collaboration with ETH Zurich, Switzerland invites applications for the above mentioned opportunity. ETH is a competitive grant for mentoring doctoral candidates from low and lower middle income countries. The candidates should have projects around supply chain, logistics, transportation, operations and project management.

The goals of the ETH mentorship are:

- i. Support one PhD student from the Department of Management Science and Project Planning, Faculty of Business and Management Sciences of the University of Nairobi to win a competitive **Doctoral Mentorship Grant** through 'ETH4D Doctoral Mentorship Program'
- ii. **Joint publication** in a reputable international journal (Web of Science Journal) based on the PhD student's doctoral project

Application documents

Interested doctoral students should submit the following documents;

- CV
- Description of the doctoral project (max. 2 pages)
- Journal publications (if available)

Application contacts and deadline

Application documents should be sent to dept-mgtsci@uonbi.ac.ke with a copy to thomasombati@uonbi.ac.ke and stephan.m.wagner@gmail.com on or before **28th June 2024** in ONE email. Only shortlisted applicants will be contacted.

See attached appendix with more information.

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Appendix

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'ETH4D Doctoral Mentorship Grant' – A competitive grant for mentorship and research stay

- Competitive grant for mentoring doctoral candidates from low - and lower-middle-income countries. The mentorship is a one-year appointment and comprises the following components:
 - **Mentorship** from ETH professor, senior scientist or postdoc over a period of one year of the mentee's doctoral studies
 - **Research stay** at the mentor's research group **at ETH Zurich**, Switzerland, for 1-3 months during the mentorship period
 - **Grant** covers expenses up to a maximum of CHF 15,000, in particular for airline ticket visa fees, one academic conference, fees for health insurance, local transport ticket, accommodation, living allowance

- I offer to support one PhD student from the Faculty of Business and Management Sciences of the University of Nairobi with application
- Goal: Joint publication
- **Competitive!** Must be applied for and positively assessed



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In case of being selected for development and submission of a Doctoral Mentorship Grant application, the following documents have to be developed:

- Motivation letter of the doctoral candidate (3'000 characters excl. space characters, Arial, 11pt, 1.15 line)
- Project description (6'000 characters excl. space characters, Arial, 11pt, 1.15 line) structured as follows:
 - Brief summary of your doctoral project
 - Description of your planned mentorship activities
 - Description of how your planned activities align with the mentorship objectives
 - Description of the added value of the mentorship for your career development
- CV of doctoral candidate (max. 2 pages) incl. publications (if available)
- Most recent university transcripts
- Two academic reference letters
- Doctoral project proposal (if available)

- Work plan and timeframe of the mentorship including planned activities

Please keep the following in mind:

For the selection of the candidate, the credentials of the candidate and the quality and suitability of the research topic will be considered. Both with the intention to increase the chance of winning the grant.

If not being considered in this round, there will be future opportunities.