The Agricultural Research Council (ARC) is a premier science institution that conducts research with partners, develops human capital and foster innovation in support of the agricultural sector. It provides diagnostic, laboratory, analytical, agricultural engineering services, post-harvest technology development, agrochemical evaluation, consultation and advisory services, food processing technology services as well as various surveys and training interventions. Through its wider network of research institutes and experimental farms, the ARC provides a strong scientific base and a broadly distributed technology transfer capacity to the entire agricultural industry in South Africa.

The ARC- Vegetable, Industrial and Medicinal Plants (ARC-VIMP) seeks to appoint a highly skilled, experienced, and dynamic person to the following position at Kroondal, Rustenburg.

FARM MANAGER FACILITIES

Key Performance Area:

- Coordinating and controlling farming activities on the research farm.
- Planning, establishment, and management of orchards including irrigation systems and drawing up of orchard maps.
- Managing research plots as directed by the researchers.
- Managing the budget of the farm division.
- Maintenance of farm Assets infrastructure.
- Attending industry and stakeholders meeting where applicable.
- Training of identified trainees; assist with the organising of events to be held on the farm.
- Accountability for the Occupational Health and Safety aspects on the farm as well as training of farm staff on personal safety and other health aspects.
- Controlling all the assets and stocks of the farm division.
- Responsible for harvesting and marketing of farm produce, Labour management, capital purchases for the farm and writing of various farm reports.
- Complies with SHE/OHS policies and procedures.

Technical competencies and attributes required:

- Infrastructure Management.
- IT Infrastructure.
- Project Management.
- Equipment Maintenance.
- Compliance and Safety Regulations.
- Energy Efficiency and Sustainability.
- Emergency Response and Crisis Management.

- Resource Allocation and Space Management.

Requirements:

- National Diploma in Agriculture, Horticulture, or equivalent qualification.
- At least seven (7) years' experience in relevant field.
- Excellent interpersonal relations, excellent oral and written communication skills.
- Ability to solve problems, organise and work without direct supervision.
- Proficiency in MS Office.
- Experience in coordinating and liaising with stakeholders and clients.
- Knowledge of the Global gap accreditation scheme.
- Be able to adapt to different working conditions and willing to work long hours in the sun or adverse weather conditions.
- Occupational Health and Safety experience will be an added advantage.

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CLOSING DATE FOR APPLICATIONS: 05 JULY 2024

Competitive remuneration package will be congruent with the scope, responsibilities, and the stature of the position. The appointment will be subject to a positive security clearance and preference will be given to designated groups in terms of the ARC Employment Equity Plan. Permanent appointments are subject to six (6) months' probation period. The Agricultural Research Council is an equal opportunity employer and is committed to the principles and processes of Employment Equity Act.

Applications accompanied by covering letter, detailed CV (Including certified copies of certificates, supporting documents, copy of driver's license) must be attached on the form.

- ❖ Click on the link to apply for **Farm Manager- Facilities** https://forms.office.com/r/qLF2Ebi9qJ

NB: Non-RSA citizens with work permit must attach certified copies as well as the names and particulars of three (3) traceable referees.

SAQA evaluation report must accompany foreign qualifications. Incomplete applications will not be considered. Applicants who do not receive any response four (4) weeks after the closing date must regard their applications as unsuccessful. The company has the right not to appoint.