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Letter of Intent

Dear,

DBE is under reform process by implementing its five year strategic reform plan and setting a clear vision “to be the leading and competent Bank in Africa by 2030”. Among the reform activities, the Bank is implementing a new organizational structure and one of the key clusters is Research and Development. I strongly believe that DBE need quality research on commodities, sectors and other development issues to achieve its vision.

As an **Applied Research Directorate Director** at DBE, my goal is to introduce advanced method of researches with the application of updated data and techniques and provide high-quality information and analyses that are relevant for decision making and the fulfillment of the other tasks and functions of DBE.

Besides, Research at DBE will have an important external impact through a number of channels, namely presentation of research papers at workshops and international conferences, dissemination research findings by establishing networks, development of new data sets, models and methodologies, and publication of DBE research papers. One prominent way to disseminate research is through the Working Paper Series and Journals. I will exert my possible efforts for the Bank to have its own journals.

I have been working in Development Bank of Ethiopia for the last fifteen years. From those years of work experience, ten years was as a researcher and team manager, and now I am working as A/Director at Project Appraisal Directorate I. During those years, my key responsibilities were to supervise, collect, store, create and analyze data. Regarding my educational background, I have a masters degree of Development Economics in which I successfully accomplished with an award of the academic year 2012 G.C. I am tremendous at problems solving, leadership and have great analytical skills.

My existing research and leadership work experience, good academic background and the trainings that I took particularly SPSS, E-view and STATA software’s make me to have good leadership and data processing and analyzing skills to produce a quality research documents.

Finally I believe I would be better equipped and proficient enough for the position of **Applied Research Directorate Director**.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely yours,
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