## **UNIVERSITY OF DAR ES SALAAM**

### **INSTITUTE OF RESOURCES ASSESSMENT**

#### **CENTRE FOR CLIMATE CHANGE STUDIES**



# Announcement of CENSU Master grants (For intake academic year 2023/24)

The research and education programme CENSU (Climate Change, Energy, Sustainability: Transformations and Governance) is announcing FOUR MASTER grants for exchange to Oslo Metropolitan University (OsloMet) toward a Masters in International Education and Development (Development Studies Track), 2023-2025.

We welcome applicants from all CENSU partner universities: University of Dar es Salaam (UDSM); State University of Zanzibar (SUZA); Universidade Lurio (UniLurio); Universidade Eduardo Mondlane (UEM)

#### **About CENSU**

CENSU is funded by the Norwegian government's development agency. Its objective is to strengthen education and research capacity related to major development challenges in Tanzania and Mozambique: The project will concentrate on research on current and anticipated oil and gas exploration mainly in Lindi in southern Tanzania, and Inhassoro and Cabo Delgado in Mozambique. Preferably, CENSU research and education activity shall integrate natural and social sciences, with a view to better understand the relationship between the environmental, economic and social dimensions of sustainable development.

#### **About the grants**

The duration of the degree programme is two years' full-time, starting August 2023. While degree completion may be extended by one year, subject to special arrangement with OsloMet, the grant cannot be extended. The size of the grant is NOK 11,000 per month – approx USD 1,100 at current exchange rate – for 10 months (i.e., the period spent in Oslo). Grantees will also receive an additional stipend to cover travel costs.

#### **About the Masters degrees**

OsloMet's Master in International Education and Development has two tracks – one in international education, another in development. The CENSU grantees will follow the latter track. In the first year of study, the grantees do a full years' worth of coursework

(60 ETCS) at OsloMet. In the second year, they undertake fieldwork and write their theses (with home universities as bases). Academic staff from OsloMet will serve as main theses supervisors, and academic staff from home universities as co-supervisors.

For further information about the OsloMet degree program: https://www.oslomet.no/en/study/lui/international-education-development

However, please note that you shall NOT apply via the online application route in the first round of recruitment, but as instructed further below.

The four seats in the 2023-2025 batch are reserved for CENSU canditates. However, these seats, and the attached grants, will be awarded only to the extent that applicants are qualified as per formal requirements and assessment by OsloMet's admissions committee.

#### Qualifications

A successful candidate will have

- A convincing research/theses concept note (see more below)
- A strong bachelor's degree and/or a strong master degree in a relevant field of study.
- Research experience related to topics tangential to those of CENSU is a significant advantage, as is research/teaching experience transcending the natural/social sciences divide
- Proven ability to work independently and in close collaboration with others
- Proof of English proficiency as per the rules for OsloMet degree admission:
- For Mozambicans: TOEFL IBT minimum score 80, or IELTS overall band score 6, or proof of BA or MA degree completion in an English-speaking country/program. **Tanzanian are exempted from proof of English proficiency**.

At this stage, Mozambican applicants need not present language certificate, but the concept note and application must be written in English.

**Thesis concept note:** We invite proposals addressing one or more of the following research questions:

- How are ecological and social dynamics interwoven in relation to gas extraction in fragile societies and vulnerable environments?
- To what extent, and how, are local community livelihoods and wellbeing (likely to be) affected by gas extraction activities?
- To what extent do the gas extraction projects create expectations and concerns in affected communities and the society, and what are these expectations and concerns?
- How do governing institutions and gas corporations, including contractors, respond to the expectations and concerns of citizens – including through consultation processes– and to what extent and how do they promote sustainable development related to energy production?
- How are Mozambique and Tanzania emerging roles as major petroleum exporters affecting their opportunities and challenges in the global political

economy – especially in aid, trade, investment and vis-à-vis multilateral institutions?

The research concept proposal must

- Present the analytical approach to be applied in the research project; this approach should preferably transcend the natural science/social science divide
- Provide a short outline of the methods to be employed
- Have a fieldwork location focus that fits with the research sites identified in the CENSU project.

The length of concept note should be approx. 1,500 words (excl. the list of references.)

#### **Application**

Your application must include:

- Research concept note (as per above specification)
- CV (max. 2 pages)
- Relevant transcripts and diplomas

NB: All of the above must be combined into a single PDF file. Applications with multiple files may be discarded.

Closing date Mozambique: Monday 19 September 2022 Closing date Tanzania: Monday 3 October 2022

The application shall be submitted to the CENSU educational coordinator at your university:

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SUZA: Dr. Wahira Othman – wahiraothman@yahoo.com

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