

CALL FOR APPLICATIONS



Contribute To An Ambitious Research Initiative On The Arab World

The **Arab Center for Research and LIRSEG** are launching a research initiative bringing together **Master's students, PhD candidates, and early-career researchers from across the Arab world** to collaborate on an ambitious, interdisciplinary, and long-term research project.

A RESEARCH PROJECT TO EXPLORE DEVELOPMENT PATHWAYS ACROSS THE ARAB WORLD

What are we developing?

Our ambition is to **develop an annual research report** focusing on sustainability and inclusive economic growth across the Arab world. This collaborative effort will seek to identify and map opportunities, challenges, and potential pathways towards sustainable and inclusive development throughout the region.

By combining national and regional perspectives, interdisciplinary approaches, and original research, the initiative aims to deepen our understanding of the economic, political, social, and environmental dynamics shaping the future of the Arab world.

Who are we looking for?

We invite Master's students, PhD candidates, and early-career researchers from across the Arab world to apply.

Applications are particularly encouraged from candidates working in the following fields:

- **Economics**
- **Political Science**
- **International Relations**
- **Public Policy**
- **Sustainable Development and Environmental Studies**
- **Other disciplines relevant to the study of economic and social development.**

Applicants should demonstrate a genuine interest in research and be able to present their current research, previous experience, or academic interests.

We are looking for curious, rigorous, and motivated individuals who are eager to contribute to a collective research effort and engage with perspectives from different disciplines and countries.

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What do we offer participants ?

Selected researchers will have the opportunity to:

- ✦ Contribute to an annual research report on sustainability and inclusive economic growth in the Arab world.
- ✦ Participate in training sessions and thematic webinars designed to strengthen their research and analytical skills.
- ✦ Take part in conferences and activities organized by the Arab Center for Research and LIRSEG.
- ✦ Receive a certificate of participation.
- ✦ Join a regional network of young researchers, PhD candidates, and Master's students from across the Arab world.
- ✦ Develop their research experience in a collaborative and interdisciplinary environment.
- ✦ Contribute to an initiative designed to continue and expand over the coming years.

A LONG-TERM RESEARCH INITIATIVE

This is not a one-off project. It is the first step towards building a regional research platform.

Our ambition is to publish successive editions of the report, progressively expand the network of participating researchers, and foster a research community committed to examining sustainability and inclusive economic growth across the Arab world.

Over time, the initiative aims to encourage exchanges among researchers across the region, showcase emerging research, and produce analysis that can inform public debate and policy decisions.

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How to Apply ?

Applicants are invited to submit the following:

-  A **CV** outlining their academic background and research experience.
-  A brief presentation of their **current research or academic interests**.
-  Links to relevant **publications, academic articles, Master's dissertations, PhD research, or other research outputs, where available.**

**THE SELECTION PROCESS WILL BE COMPETITIVE.
SHORTLISTED CANDIDATES WILL BE INVITED FOR AN INTERVIEW.**



Selection process begins : Late October 2026



Geographic scope : The Arab World



Application deadline : 15 November 2026



Applications should be sent to: ahlam.qafas@gmail.com

If you are a Master's student, PhD candidate, or early-career researcher interested in contributing to a deeper understanding of development pathways across the Arab world, we invite you to apply.

Together, let us build a lasting, collaborative regional research platform whose ambitions extend far beyond a single report.