



**National Commission for Science,
Technology and Innovation**

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VACANCIES FOR THE POSITION OF CHAIRPERSON AND MEMBERS OF NATIONAL COMMISSION FOR SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY AND INNOVATION (NACOSTI) BOARD

A. BACKGROUND

The National Commission for Science, Technology and Innovation (NACOSTI) is a statutory body in the State Department for Science, Research and Innovation, Office of the Prime Cabinet Secretary and Cabinet Secretary for Foreign and Diaspora Affairs. It is established under the Science, Technology, and Innovation Act, CAP. 511 ("the Act"). NACOSTI regulates and assures quality in the Science, Technology, and Innovation Sector and advises the Government in matters related thereto. The functions of NACOSTI are as outlined under section 6(1) of the Act."

Pursuant to section 5 (8) and (11) of the Act, the Selection Panel invites applications from suitably qualified persons to serve on the NACOSTI Board in the following posts:

- I. Chairperson (1 Position)
- II. Member (3 Positions)

B. REQUIREMENTS FOR APPOINTMENT

I. Chairperson

To qualify for appointment as Chairperson of the NACOSTI Board, the applicant must meet the following criteria:

1. Hold an earned doctorate degree from a University recognised in Kenya;
2. Be an eminent scientist;
3. Be capable of contribution to science, technology and innovation;
4. Have at least fifteen (15) years experience in leadership and management of public or private institutions;
5. Be a person of high moral character and integrity in accordance with Chapter Six of the Constitution;
6. **Not** be serving in the Public Service;
7. **Not** be serving as a chairperson in a board of another public entity; and
8. **Not** a member in more than one (1) board of a public entity.

II. Member

To qualify for appointment as Member of the NACOSTI Board, the applicant must meet the following criteria:

1. Hold a Master's degree from a University recognised in Kenya;
2. Have knowledge and experience in science, technology and innovation;
3. Be capable of contribution to science, technology and innovation;
4. Be a person of high moral character and integrity in accordance with Chapter Six of the Constitution;
5. **Not** serving in the Public service; and
6. **Not** serving as a member of more than one (1) board of a public entity.

C. DURATION OF APPOINTMENT AND TERMS OF SERVICE

1. The Chairperson and members of the NACOSTI Board, shall be appointed for a term not exceeding three (3) years and shall be eligible for re-appointment for a further one (1) term.
2. Allowances payable to the Chairperson and Members of the NACOSTI Board shall be as determined by the Government from time to time.

D. OTHER REQUIREMENTS

1. Applicants should attach copies of current clearances from:
 - i. **Kenya Revenue Authority;**
 - ii. **Higher Education Loans Board;**
 - iii. **Ethics and Anti-Corruption Commission**
 - iv. **Directorate of Criminal Investigation;** and
 - v. **A Government-recognized Credit Reference Bureau**
2. In case of degrees obtained from **Foreign Universities**, applicants should obtain certification from the **Commission for University Education (CUE)** that the University is recognized in Kenya.

E. MODE OF APPLICATION

Applications comprising a cover letter, detailed curriculum vitae (as per the template provided on the NACOSTI website www.nacosti.go.ke), copies of academic and professional certificates, National Identity Card or Passport, together with relevant testimonials and certificates, should either be:

Hand delivered during working days to NACOSTI Headquarters, Off Waiyaki Way, (Next to Sugar Board Directorate), 6th Floor between **8:00 AM and 5:00 PM (EAT)**.

OR

Signed, scanned and emailed as aPDF attachment to the Chairperson: selectionpanel2026@nacosti.go.ke

OR

Sent by post to:

**The Chairperson,
Selection Panel for the Appointment of Chairperson and Members of NACOSTI Board,
P.O. Box 30623-00100,
Nairobi.**

IMPORTANT NOTES

1. The application should be clearly marked as "**Application for Chairperson, NACOSTI Board**" OR "**Application for Member, NACOSTI Board**", as applicable.
2. Applications to be received on or before **5:00 pm (EAT) on Monday, 16th March, 2026**.

DATA PROTECTION

By submitting an application, applicants are deemed to have granted consent for their names to be published on the Commission website and in at least two (2) local dailies. NACOSTI commits to protect personal data in line with the provision of the Data Protection Act, CAP. 411 C.

NACOSTI DIVERSITY, EQUITY AND INCLUSIVITY STATEMENT

Women, youth, persons with disabilities, the marginalized and other minority groups are **encouraged to apply**.

ONLINE ACCESS TO APPLICATION INFORMATION

This information is also available on the NACOSTI website: <https://www.nacosti.go.ke/>