MULTIDISCIPLINARY RESEARCH
GRANT PROGRAMME 2027

Towards a growing and diverse community of competition experts

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CALL FOR RESEARCH PROPOSALS

The Competition Commission South Africa (Commission) launched its Multidisciplinary Research Grant Programme (MRGP) to promote multidisciplinary research at South African tertiary institutions that can inform and enhance competition law enforcement in the country. The Commission is pleased to present the fourth instalment of the MRGP and invites interested researchers and academics to submit research proposals relevant to competition law enforcement.

The programme is open to **Doctoral Students, Post-Doctoral Researchers, Academics** based in South African tertiary institutions, and experienced researchers in research institutions.

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Thematic areas

Competition in Artificial Intelligence infrastructure chips, cloud, and data centres
Competition in the informal economy | Legal standards and constitutional rights
Remedy design and ex-post evaluation | Efficiencies in merger control
Priority sectors and regulated network industries | Competition, industrial policy, and inclusive growth
Franchising, SMEs, and access to markets | Settlement and early resolution of cartel cases
Fintech, digital payments, and crypto-assets | Cost of living and price transmission in essential goods
Merger remedies in global and complex transactions and co-operative remedy design
Case prioritisation and measuring the impact of the Commission's work
AI value chain, adoption and competition in South African markets
Energy transition and electricity market reform

Closing Date - 27 November 2026

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