Rwanda Biomedical Centre (RBC), in collaboration with the University of Liverpool and the National Institute for Healthcare Research (NIHR) CLEAN-Air (Africa) Global Health Research Unit, has launched a 3.5-year PhD fellowship program at the University of Rwanda through RBC's Research, Innovation and Data Science Division.

The Ph.D. topics that are set to be covered during the program will focus on the economic, well-being, gender, health, educational, and environmental impacts of transitioning to clean cooking fuels at the household and school levels.

Two candidates have been selected for this program and will pursue their Ph.D. studies at the University of Rwanda, hosted at RBC through the Research Innovation and Data Science division's fellowship program.

They will receive supervisorship from supervisors at the University of Rwanda, co-supervisors from the Rwanda Biomedical Centre.

The 2 students are: Mr. Darius Uzabakiriho, a pharmacist and health system strengthening professional who holds a Master's degree in professional practice (healthcare leadership) from Lancaster University, UK.

Mr. Rutayisire Reverien is the second candidate, currently an academic staff member at the University of Rwanda, he holds a Master's degree in epidemiology and his research interests focus on health, economic, educational and environmental impacts of transitioning schools to clean cooking fuels in Rwanda.

The funding for the program is provided by the RBC through the University of Liverpool and the NIHR.