

GIZ, the Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit GmbH, is a federal enterprise that supports the German government in achieving its objectives in the field of international cooperation for sustainable development. GIZ has been supporting the Thai Government for more than 60 years. For our activities in the field of renewable energy we are currently looking for a Project Assistant.

Project Assistant

Context

Thailand's energy sector is starting to transform from conventional centralized to distributed & cleaner energy generation and supply. Several innovative technologies have emerged and can potentially change the way the energy sector used to operate while enhance efficiency in both energy supply and consumption. Climate change puts considerable pressure on Thailand's energy sector as it contributes to 73% of total Thailand greenhouse gas emission in 2012. Thailand has committed to significantly reduce greenhouse gas emissions by 2030 and the energy sector must lead the way. Increased deployment of renewable energy and energy efficiency is key.

While Thailand boasts vast potentials and decreasing cost of RE technologies (e.g. solar PV rooftop) have attracted the private sector to invest, challenges remain. The unique characteristics of renewable energy technologies call for smarter planning procedures and more effective policy frameworks. Policymaker must adapt to a changing situation. National policy framework need to be linked and connected to the subnational level (i.e. provincial level) to make good decisions and deploy the full potential of renewable energy.

Thai-German Climate Change Policy Programme

To support this development, Germany and Thailand have agreed to implement the Thai-German Climate Change Policy Programme which entails a dedicated energy component. The energy component ("the project") aims to support the Ministry of Energy (MoEN) through Policy and Strategy Coordination Office (PSO) by enhancing Thailand's energy policy planning. It aims specifically to set up processes to support Thailand's energy sector to contribute to reaching Thailand's climate targets. The project will design and develop innovative tools to support the government on both national and subnational level in structuring effective energy policy (i.e. energy system modeling tools, provincial energy database, online training platform, etc.). Capacity of relevant actors in both national and subnational level will be enhanced through sets of systematic trainings.

The project will start in January 2018 and operate until December 2021.

What we are looking for

To ensure the smooth implementation of the project, we are looking for a **Project Assistant** for the following tasks:

- ensure effective communication between GIZ and the project partner (MoEN/PSO)
- liaise closely with the project partner to ensure project activities are well aligned with the partner's requirements/direction
- support the partner in implementing its activities within the project
- support planning, implementation and monitoring of activities and impacts of the project
- collect and analyze existing news and data on Thailand's energy situation & development

- support public relation activities e.g. press releases, newsletter, publication, etc.
- attend/act as a GIZ's representative during conferences, meetings, workshop, etc.
- support other activities as needed

The position will be based in Bangkok. The project assistant will share a workspace with PSO/MoEN as well as the GIZ project team. Frequent travel upcountry is to be expected.

Qualifications

- Bachelor's Degree in social sciences, political science, business administration, financing, economics (other degree with relevant practical experience eligible for application)
- Professional work experience of minimum 1 year (experience in working in public entity / government institutions is an advantage)
- Excellent communication skills in English and Thai
- Excellent presentation and writing skills
- Ability to work independently while in good coordination with the team
- Eager to learn and willing to adapt
- Ability to engage and interact with various stakeholders
- Diplomatic, solution-oriented mindset
- proactive and able to work under pressure
- good understanding of international organizations

Compensation will be competitive and in line with local standards.

Please submit your application and CV to chattayada.pattaragulwanit@giz.de. The deadline for applications is Friday, December 8, 2017. Only shortlisted candidates will be contacted.

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