

The German government's international cooperation enterprise for sustainable development, Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) GmbH, operates world-wide on behalf of German Ministries, the governments of other countries and international clients. GIZ has a record of more than 60 years working in Thailand. For the project “**Sustainable Palm Oil Production in Thailand**” we are currently looking for a Field Manager.

Field manager

Location: Suratthani

The Sustainable Palm Oil Production in Thailand Project will support the public and private partners in mainstreaming sustainable palm oil production in Thailand. The project aims at increasing demand and supply of sustainable palm oil in Thailand. Hence, the project focuses on development of public-private partnership, development of training of the trainer (ToT) curriculum and materials, capacity building of oil palm smallholders to achieve voluntary and international-recognized sustainability standard (i.e. Roundtable on Sustainable Palm Oil or RSPO), promotion of GHG mitigation practices in the Thai palm oil sector, and coordination among key stakeholders to further upscaling sustainable palm oil production.

To support project activities we are looking for a Field Manager with the following responsibilities:

Responsibilities and Tasks:

He / she will

- Provide inputs into the development of project work plan/strategies, outcome and output monitoring system, and reporting the project progress and results
- Contribute to the development of a training center and the ToT curriculum & materials on sustainable palm oil production
- maintain a good flow of communication and information between all involved governmental and private agencies and GIZ to support oil palm smallholders in farmer group organization and capacity building to implement sustainable practices which in line with the sustainability standard and achieve its certification
- Support the project management: setting up contracts with external consultants, management of contracts, performance evaluation, and quality check of deliverables; and
- Lead the planning, implementation and facilitation of meetings, training workshops and others activities related to mainstreaming sustainable palm oil production in Thailand
- Support coordination with public and private partners to optimize the available capacities and resources in reaching sustainable palm oil production (extension, training curriculum & material, achieving certification etc.);

- Ensure knowledge management: collect, process and distribute relevant information, monitors communication and interaction between government institutions, private companies, NGOs and society through analyses of the media, direct dialogue, participation in meetings and seminars etc.

Qualifications:

We are looking for a candidate who possesses (the equivalent of):

- University degree or equivalent in relevant discipline to achieve the program objectives (e.g. Agriculture extension, Sustainable agricultural production, Sustainability standard and certification)
- Experience in a comparable position (i.e. communicate with farmers, agricultural extension), sound knowledge of good agricultural practice or best management practice as well as sustainability standard and certification with focus on agriculture in the past 3 years;
- Understanding of key players and processes in the Thai palm oil sector is an asset;
- Experience in project coordination and implementation; and
- Experiences in organizing and documentation of meetings, trainings, and workshop.
- Ability to work under pressure and independently is required;
- Communication and negotiation skills: ability to integrate well into a team. Good interpersonal and intercultural skills in communication with stakeholders.
- Language skills: Ability to communicate effectively orally and in writing in Thai and English. Good knowledge of German language is an asset.
- Willingness to travel and working knowledge of ITC technologies and computer applications
- Willingness to upskill as required by the tasks to be performed –corresponding measures are agreed with management

This will be a fixed-term contract, starting in July 2018 and running until June 2020 (with high possibility of extension).

Please submit your application and CV to chattayada.pattaragulwanit@giz.de. The deadline for applications is Friday, 15th June 2018. Only shortlisted candidates will be contacted.

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