

As an international cooperation enterprise for sustainable development with worldwide operations, the German government owned Deutsche Gesellschaft fuer Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) GmbH operates 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 our project “TRANSfer III - Facilitating the development of ambitious transport mitigation actions” we are currently looking for a Junior Advisor.

Junior Advisor

Our mission is to reduce harmful carbon dioxide emissions from urban transport in Thailand. Join a motivated team of transport experts and support the implementation of an ambitious sustainable transport project. As a junior technical advisor, you support the team foremost in questions of transport financing and urban transport policy.

Background:

Estimated CO₂ emissions from energy consumption in Thailand in 2012 were 215 Mt CO₂-eq, with the transport sector contributing 59 Mt CO₂-eq. The growth in emissions in Thailand in the past decade is mainly caused by increasing ownership and utilisation of personal vehicles. Improvements in sustainable urban transport (e.g. public transport, non-motorised transport) requires effective planning, sufficient funding and suitable financial mechanisms.

In order to support five countries – including Thailand – in their mitigation efforts in the transport sector the German Federal Ministry for the Environment, Nature Conservation, Building and Nuclear Safety (BMUB) commissioned the Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) with the implementation of the project TRANSfer III - Facilitating the development of ambitious transport mitigation actions. The objective of the project is to increase the efforts of emerging economies to foster climate-friendly transport. The project acts as a “mitigation action preparation facility” meaning that it aims at identifying and developing bankable and ready-to-implement measures to reduce emissions from transport.

In Thailand, the TRANSfer project plans to support the Office of Transport and Traffic Policy and Planning (OTP) and its partners in the preparation of mitigation actions in urban transport. This includes the development of a National Urban Mobility Programme (NUMP) for Thailand. This project component aims at developing a support mechanism for medium-sized cities to improve urban transport (e.g. public transport). Further, the project supports the improvement of bus services in Bangkok by providing targeted technical support for bus procurements, bus market development and integrated ticketing.

Responsibilities:

Technical Advice

- Assists with research activities and data mining on sustainable transport issues
- Supports the team in providing technical advice to staff at OTP, cities and other stakeholders in the area of sustainable urban transport planning, financing of transport investments and operations
- Supports the development of the financial structure of the mitigation measure
- Provides advice to international consultants and GIZ staff on administrative processes, budgetary and financial mechanisms in the Thai transport sector
- Provides research support as needed by the national and international consultants of GIZ TRANSfer and GIZ technical staff.

- Occasionally conducts own assessments, reports and gives technical presentations
- Follows and reports on ongoing trends and policy developments in the field of urban transport in Thailand

Project Coordination, Management and Administrative Support

- Assists in preparing materials and logistical arrangements to ensure the smooth execution of national and regional events (including preparation of agendas for missions of GIZ staff and consultants, agenda drafting and coordination, invitation management etc. for workshops, conferences and trainings)
- Performs project management tasks in support of local senior advisor e.g. prepares TORs and supports preparation of consultancy contract, supports preparation and follow-up on annual work plans, supports budget monitoring

Communication and Coordination

- Develops collaborative relationships with relevant line ministries (transport, environment, etc.), national and international financial institutions, NGO, Universities and GIZ Thailand.
- Liaise with consultants to develop projects' reports and studies. These tasks will also include the organisation of meetings and events during the development of the reports
- Contributes to newsletters, websites and other outreach activities

Qualifications:

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

- Bachelor or Master`s degree in transport economics, financing or engineering (other degrees with relevant practical experience eligible for application)
- Professional working experience in a similar position or allied field of 1-3 years
- Experience in financial planning/analysis and experience in financial or urban transport organisations is an added advantage
- Proven knowledge of legislation and policies, including (urban) transport policies, national and subnational budgeting mechanisms, urban transport regulations
- Excellent communication skills (in English) as well as encouraged in the creation and maintenance of networks between different actors (high-level officials, partners); pro-active attitude with hands-on mentality.
- Presentation and writing skills
- Detailed-oriented work ethic also in times of high time pressure
- Ability to work with a team and under pressure by ensuring quality outputs and meeting deadlines.

This will be a fixed-term contract, starting from March 1, 2018 until December 31, 2019 with an option to extend until June 2020.

Please submit your application and CV to chattayada.pattaragulwanit@giz.de. The deadline for applications is Tuesday, February 13, 2018. Only shortlisted candidates will be contacted.

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