

As an international cooperation enterprise for sustainable development with worldwide operations, the government owned Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) GmbH operates on behalf of German Ministry of Environment. GIZ has a record of more than 60 years working in Thailand.

For the project “Scaling Sustainable Consumption and Production (Scaling SCP)”, implemented in Thailand, Malaysia, Indonesia and the Philippines, we are currently looking for a Junior Advisor for the Thailand component.

Junior Advisor for the Thailand component of Scaling SCP

Southeast Asian (SEA) countries have expressed their concern and committed to play a proactive role in addressing climate change through their declarations at the recent UN Conferences on Climate Change. In the recent COP 26 the prime minister of Thailand has underlined this ambition by pledging to be carbon-neutral by 2050. The ASEAN Vision 2020 calls for “a clean and green ASEAN” with fully established mechanisms to ensure the protection of the environment, sustainability of natural resources and high quality of life for the people in the region. Eco-labeling (EL) is an important instrument to increase sustainable consumption and production (SCP) and contribute to SDG 12.8 and reduce GHG emissions. In SEA the governments, being one of the biggest consumers, will strengthen green and climate-friendly markets through the development of sustainable public procurement (SPP), contributing directly to GHG mitigation and to SDG 12.7. Recently, these instruments have gained more and more importance in the region. Some countries have already started to implement SPP and EL, notably with the support of the GIZ project Advance SCP, the predecessor project of Scaling SCP. Yet the levels of implementation are different across the countries, because of various factors. Thailand has installed all essential mechanisms, but lacks implementation at scale and thus impact. The project will contribute to climate change mitigation by promoting the development and mainstreaming of GPP and EL with three output areas:

1. Scaling SCP competencies including the improvement of institutional and technical knowhow for the implementation of ambitious, climate- and resource-friendly criteria in SPP and/or EL.
 - a. From the institutional perspective the focus in Thailand is on supporting PCD to implement the draft GPP roadmap, particularly the linkage of PCD with the Comptroller Generals Department (CGD) and to install an M&E system measuring GHG mitigation by GPP implementation. A second objective is to link GPP and EL to the BCG Strategy, to the C-pillar focusing on circular economy (CE) in the construction to create a wider political support and impact.
 - b. From the product/service standard perspective the focus is on ambitious standard making for relevant product/service groups, also by including material efficiency and CE criteria. Here, the cooperation with the Thai Environmental Institute (TEI) and the German Öko-Institute (ÖI) is critical. Both will receive a grant to develop product standards, while TEI acts also as project secretariat. The focus is on cooling (e.g. AC), ICT (e.g. data center) and construction-material or services (tbc).

2. Scaling SCP scope of sustainable procurement at national level and/or at the sub-national level and/or in large semi-public institutions. Here, the preliminary talks with the Electricity Generating Authority of Thailand (EGAT) seem to develop in a partnership to implement a pilot project to procure F-gas free AC and to improve their GPP system. This shall be implemented in cooperation with the GIZ project Green Cooling Initiative (GCI) and is planned to be implemented by a shared colleague with this project.
3. Cooperation on environmental labels and SPP experience and knowledge documents, such as ambitious regionally harmonized product criteria, are available internationally. Here, regular exchanges with peer-countries, regional and global knowledge exchanges, the development of common core criteria and the mutual recognitions of EL and standards will play a key-role.

Responsibilities:

In a team consisting of the project director, the project leader and the senior advisor/project coordinator, the junior advisor will be responsible for **advising and implementing the pilot project component (likely) with EGAT**. He/she shall do this in close collaboration with the senior advisor in the spirit of a mentor- mentee approach, including following responsibilities:

The incumbent is responsible for:

- Autonomously (and mentored by the senior advisor) implement activities of the project related to component II in TH (pilot project);
- autonomously (and mentored by the senior advisor) develop the political partner network; particularly cooperate and coordinate with government institutions such as EGAT and PCD;
- autonomously liaise and cooperate with TH GIZ country office and realize synergies with bi-lateral and global projects, particularly GCI and the SCP Outreach project, operating from the same office and implementing GPP and EL in neighboring countries in cooperation with TH;
- autonomously draft ToR, develop contracting and supervise contract implementation for the pilot project (mentored by the senior advisor);
- support the development of the implementation strategy, action planning and monitoring of the pilot project activities in line with project goals jointly with partners and the management;
- support efficient sustainable knowledge management and public relation in close cooperation with the PR/KM expert of the CE hub:
 - Support the implementation of project activities according to project goals, team agreements and/or consultations with the supervisor;
 - Support of the project's/program's initiative to provide professional advice and inputs to, and to cooperate with, a broad range of stakeholders and target groups;
 - Day-to-day operational management of the project support: guides project implementation, ensures timely provision of deliverables, controls quality, facilitates and coordinates the inputs of short-term experts;
 - Innovation and knowledge management as well as transmission of innovation to a wide range of persons, and
 - Integration of results and experiences into team efforts and into all relevant groups.

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

- Bachelor's degree, preferable Master degree, relevant to the responsibilities of this position;
- At least 4 year of professional working experience in a similar position, experience in project planning, coordinating, and in management;
- Experience in working with Thai government institutions regarding environmental management; experience and working relation with PCD is an asset;
- Basic understanding of sustainable consumption and production, SPP and/or EL in Asian region; experience with SPP and EL or emission inventories is an advantage.
- Ability to communicate and relate easily to both national and international colleagues;
- Good working knowledge of modern IT and communication systems;
- Excellent command of Thai and English in writing and speaking; knowledge of German, Bahasa Malay and or Bahasa Indonesia is an advantage;
- Previous experience, e.g. internship in international affairs are a plus;
- Thai Nationality.

This will be a fixed-term contract, starting as soon as possible and running until the end of 2024 (with possibility of extension).

Application:

Please submit your application and CV to chattayada.pattaragulwanit@giz.de. The deadline for applications is 15 May 2022. Only shortlisted candidates will be contacted. GIZ Thailand is an equal opportunity employer and actively encourages gender diversity within the company and operations.

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