

As an international cooperation enterprise with worldwide operations, the German government-owned Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) GmbH operates on behalf of German ministries, the governments of other countries, and international clients to provide tailor-made, cost-efficient and effective services for sustainable development. We are looking for a **Nakhon Sawan-based staff** to support GIZ's work on the topic of Biomass to Energy.

**Advisor (senior-level)
TGC EMC Biomass Project**

Thailand aims to reduce emissions by 20-25% by 2030, focusing on energy and transport sectors. Despite the potential of renewable energy, the country still relies heavily on fossil fuels. The TGC EMC program supports Thailand's energy transition, emphasizing renewable energy, including biomass from agricultural residues, to address pollution and promote sustainable growth. The Biomass to Energy component targets enhancing the energy supply chain by utilizing agricultural residues, especially from sugarcane leaves and rice straw aligning with national policies and diversifying farmers' income. GIZ collaborates with local agencies to tackle emissions, enhance agricultural practices, and implement effective management systems. Nakhon Sawan was selected as a pilot area for its significant PM2.5 pollution issues and the presence of biomass power plants that use agricultural residues.

Main Role:

The role of the Advisor is to closely work alongside partners from local government entities, industry, and farming communities in Nakhon Sawan to ensure their cooperation in implementation of the project workplan and priorities with well-informed and transparent planning and decision-making processes.

Major Functions/Duties:

Under the direct supervision of the Component Lead and as a member of the project team, the Advisor will be:

- Networking with a wide range of stakeholders
- Implementing and monitoring the project in Nakhon Sawan
- Facilitating community and stakeholder capacity-building workshops
- Coordination with local authorities for project activities
- Aligning project with local development and climate adaptation plans
- Assisting in vulnerability, risk, and feasibility assessments
- Organizing and guiding site visits and special events
- Monitoring and evaluating project progress based on indicators
- Flexibility and technical expertise required

Competency Requirements:

The following knowledge and skills are required to be demonstrated and utilised:

- High level liaison and relationship building skills to establish and maintain networks and facilitate cooperation;
- Demonstrated knowledge of community mobilisation principles and practices and ability to navigate complex political and social structures;
- Demonstrated knowledge on linkages between national and sub-national planning and budgeting processes
- Work experience as facilitator and/or moderator in the trainings or workshops;
- Recognized expertise in field of agriculture, renewable energy, climate change adaptation and/or on ecosystem based adaptation is an advantage;
- Excellent communication and networking skills: Demonstrated good interpersonal skills in communication and facilitating meetings and workshops;
- Verbal and written communication skills in Thai (English would be of advantage)
- Valid car driving license

Professional Qualifications:

- Thai nationality only
- Degree in an area related to agricultural science, renewable energy, environmental engineering, public administration or other related fields
- At least 10 years of professional working experience in a similar position in the field of development cooperation at local, sub-national and national levels;
- Experience working with industry stakeholders and farmers related to the topic of biomass to energy
- Demonstrated track record in building collaborative partnerships amongst public and private sectors and members of the community to achieve objectives and initiate change processes;
- Substantial experience in local government settings, planning community engagement activities and facilitating local stakeholder's input to project workplan and activities;
- Experiences in designing and managing training and capacity development measures in sustainable development and cooperation context;
- Conceptual thinking skills and able to structure and communicate ideas effectively;
- Good working knowledge of MS Office and related programs.

Duty station, Timeframe and Reporting Relationship:

The Advisor holds duty station in Nakhon Sawan, Thailand. The advisor is supposed to start on 1st June 2024 with an initial contract period up to 31th May 2026. The Senior Advisor reports directly to the Component Lead.

Please carefully read the ad and **submit a CV AND a cover letter in English** to aronratt.soontonbura@giz.de The deadline for application is **25 April 2024**. Only shortlisted candidates will be contacted.

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