

Announcement – Call for Interest

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 **an expert/consultant (Individual person with Thai Tax ID and resident in Thailand)** to provide consultancy service for **Urban Climate Project Preparation and (domestic) Climate Finance for Integrated Urban Climate Action for Low-Carbon & Resilient Cities (Urban-Act) project**

Expert for Urban Climate Project Preparation and Climate Finance (domestic)

Owned by the German Government, the Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) provides services in the field of international cooperation for sustainable development. GIZ works on behalf of public and private sector clients in both Germany and overseas. In Thailand, GIZ has a record of more than 60 years and numerous projects have been implemented over time. The main focuses of GIZ Thailand at the present are climate change, private sector cooperation and the AIZ training hub.

The project “Integrated Urban Climate Action for Low-Carbon and Resilient Cities” (Urban-Act) – a regional project funded by the International Climate Initiative (IKI) of the German Federal Ministry for Economic Affairs and Climate Action (BMWK) – aims to support a transformation towards low-carbon and resilient urban development as well as contribute to the implementation of national NDCs and the Agenda 2030. The Urban-Act project is implemented in 5 countries namely Indonesia, India, Philippines, Thailand, and China. The project will also work closely with international consortium partners UNESCAP, United Cities and Local Governments Asia-Pacific (UCLG ASPAC), the Technical University Dortmund and the University of Stuttgart, as well as national consortium partners in each of the 5 partner countries.

Urban-Act focuses on 4 outputs as follows:

1. Improved institutional environment for climate-sensitive urban development
2. Evidence-based and inclusive climate-sensitive spatial and urban planning
3. Project concepts for urban climate action investments identified
4. Enhanced knowledge through regional networking, exchange, and learning

In **Output I and II**, the project improves the institutional environment for climate-sensitive and inclusive urban development. At country level, the project assists national and/or state-level government agencies to address barriers in the overarching policy environment (policies, regulations, coordination mechanisms, guidance, or services) that hinder the localization of climate change and sustainability targets. On this basis, the project supports its political partners to revise/establish policy instruments that can effectively assist cities in addressing low-carbon and resilient urban development in line with national policy targets, the NDCs and SDGs. The project targets technical instruments (e.g., for formal planning such as Comprehensive Land Use Plan or local development plans) and mechanisms for intersectoral coordination as a basis for mainstreaming climate change into area-based development (Output II). The project further introduces tools for national and/or subnational governments to

aid cities in the elaboration of viable urban climate projects and identify suitable pathways for their financing (See Output III).

We are looking for a contractor to provide services and take lead in the following assignment:

- **Develop Concept & Implementation Plan:**
Develop a comprehensive concept and implementation plan for the following tasks, including methodology, milestones, deliverables, timeline, and stakeholder engagement. Present and coordinate with GIZ and key stakeholders
- **Develop a Domestic Climate Finance Report**
Prepare a report in English analyzing Thailand's domestic finance landscape covering:
 - An assessment of the current landscape of domestic climate finance, including existing public and private finance actors and mechanisms, project preparation processes, policies and funding gaps and challenges.
 - An assessment of the public entities most likely to develop urban climate projects and requiring funding, along with an evaluation of funding eligibility.
 - An analysis of the current landscape of urban climate finance actors in Thailand, including actors mapping with a focus on domestic sources.
 - Identification of domestic public and private funding sources for project preparation and implementation, and identification of climate finance providers for urban climate action in Thailand.
- **Provide technical backstopping and assistance to project developers in the preparation and submission of application documents to regional or domestic financing facilities for (early) project preparation.** This shall include:
 - Facilitating multi-stakeholder coordination, including private sector engagement.
 - Supporting cities in prioritizing and shortlisting viable project ideas together with consortium partners.
 - Supporting cities in choosing suitable financial instruments and available domestic (public/private) and international sources of finance.
 - Assisting project developers of medium- to large-scale urban climate projects in the preparation and submission of application documents.
 - Advising on climate-proofing local budget plans and pipeline for urban climate actions.
- **Coordinate the implementation of the national Enabling Framework Condition in Thailand.**
 - Institutional set-up of the process and definition of scope, including review of urban climate action, policy and financing instruments, reference documents, stakeholders to be involved.
 - Initial data collection – mostly desk research, complementary interviews.
 - Convening multistakeholder workshop (roundtable format) to validate the preliminary data collection and gain additional insights and a consultation workshop to validate findings and recommendations following data collection and analysis
 - In-depth research and interviews to further refine and validate the findings
 - Preparation of the assessment results.
- **Provide strategic advice, review and contribute into quality management on spatial and urban planning guidelines and/or technical reports**

- Reviewing and providing technical input and comments related to spatial and urban planning i.e., policy brief, technical papers, reports, minute of meeting with regional partners and consortium partners.
- Support in translating international expertise/ experience of urban spatial planning from international partner i.e., German universities, ESCAP and UCLG ASPAC into Thai context.

Qualifications:

The consultant will possess:

- 1) Master's degree in economics and finance, urban and spatial planning, or a field related to this assignment
- 2) 15-20 years of professional experience working with stakeholders in Thailand, including government agencies, local authorities and private sectors.
- 3) Knowledgeable in Thai spatial and urban planning framework, and domestic financial systems at national and subnational levels.
- 4) Prior experience and proven expertise in urban project preparation and finance in Thailand.
- 5) Language fluency in Thai and English.

This will be an assignment-based contract, with a period from 25 March 2025 to 25 February 2026 tentatively, with possibility to change period in case delay of tender process.

If you are interested, please confirm your interest via email to TH_Quotation@giz.de within 28 February 2025. Kindly put email Subject: "Call for Interest 83482268" and attach your expert CV.

Tender bidding process will be carried out after the Call for Interest. Invitation for Bidding will be sent out by first week of March 2025.

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