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We are looking for **a Carbon Markets Advisor** to coordinate carbon market linkage and climate finance activities within the project "**Thai Rice: Strengthening Climate-Smart Rice Farming**", to be implemented by GIZ with four executing entities. The Green Climate Fund (GCF) has approved a 38-million euro grant contribution towards the project. The co-financing is provided by Thai public sector partners, and executing entities, including the Thai Rice Department, the Bank for Agriculture and Agricultural Cooperatives (BAAC), the Office of Natural Resources and Environmental Planning (ONEP), and the International Rice Research Institute (IRRI). The project is supported by the German Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ) and international private sector partners. Further information: https://www.greenclimate.fund/project/fp214.
Another task will be to support other projects working in the field of climate finance in agriculture, in particular in the area of international and regional exchange on carbon finance.

Carbon Markets Advisor
Thai Rice GCF: Strengthening Climate-Smart Rice Farming

Rice is Thailand's most important food crop, accounting for roughly half of agricultural land and employing 18 million smallholder farmers. Rice farmers are among the poorest occupational groups in Thailand. They are extremely vulnerable to climate change: rice farming is a water-intensive and temperature-sensitive activity conducted in a climate that is becoming increasingly characterised by longer dry spells and higher temperatures. At the same time, rice farming is a significant contributor to greenhouse gas emissions. Smallholder farmers have limited capacity to adapt, given their small farm sizes and low incomes, and their limited access to technical assistance, markets and credit.

The "Thai Rice: Strengthening Climate-Smart Rice Farming" project aims to promote low-emission and climate-resilient rice farming. It aims to benefit more than 250,000 smallholder farmers – strengthening their yields, livelihoods, food security, and ability to cope with climate risks. It also has potential to mitigate 2.4 million tonnes of CO2 equivalent. The project follows a bottoms-up logic: empower vulnerable smallholder farmers to make improved decisions in the face of climate change and scale access to climate-smart farming technologies and financial support tools, including green credit lines, climate insurance and potentially, carbon market tools. Policy-makers will be supported with technical assistance, monitoring tools, and organizational support to achieve a more 'joined up' institutional and policy environment for climate-smart rice. Governments across the region will benefit through knowledge sharing and peer-to-peer learning.

Job highlights:

- Job with purpose: Work for a paradigm shift in Thai rice farming to achieve ambitious climate targets
- Pioneering topics: Making innovative climate finance accessible to smallholder farmers
- Dynamic team: Join an international and dedicated team with potential for personal and professional growth

Tasks and responsibilities:

The **Carbon Markets Advisor** will hold an important role in implementing the project's financial mechanism, as a team member of the project financial component, and contributing to additional projects in the area of carbon finance. This will entail both credit and grant based mechanisms implemented in cooperation with the project partners BAAC and ONEP, as well as the conceptualization and piloting of carbon market tools to leverage further financial flows. The advisor will engage with key public and private partners on these topics and support the successful implementation of these processes with their technical expertise and professional experience. They will act as a resource person for topics around carbon markets and climate finance, and will ensure the delivery and achievement of project-level targets and results within their designated area of work.

The **Advisor** will carry out the following tasks:

Responsibilities

- Steer the implementation of the carbon market linkages sub-activity of the Thai Rice GCF project, including facilitation and conceptualization of alignment of project impacts with voluntary carbon markets initiatives, as well as with government-to-government transfers under article 6 of the Paris Agreement.
    - Steer and backstop external consultants and contractors
    - Contribute to the design of the project's exit strategy
    - Implementation of ring-fenced carbon credit pilots in rice in cooperation with private sector partners and the field extension team
- Provide advisory and support to projects and other units within the GIZ Agriculture Cluster in the field of carbon markets and climate finance, covering both voluntary and compliance markets (Article 6).
- Proactively initiate relationships and engagement with national and international stakeholders, including private sector actors and support to raising of further co-financing and investments towards climate finance and carbon markets in the Thai agricultural sector.
- Steer international exchange and learning formats on climate finance and carbon markets in the agriculture sector.

Other duties:

- Support the development of work plans to fulfill project objective(s)
- Regularly update manager(s) on relevant progress and seek advice as needed to ensure high-quality, effective and timely execution of activities
- Design, prepare and organize meetings, workshops, study visits, seminars and other events on issues related to the project's outputs and work packages
- Prepare meeting materials, presentation documents, and summaries
- Liaise with partners to develop communication materials and outreach activities
- Ensure proper documentation of project information to promote knowledge transfer

Qualifications:

- Master's Degree in a relevant field, e.g. Economics, Finance or Management of Natural Resources
- Experience working with international organisations in the climate finance space or with the private sector in financing greenhouse gas mitigation

- Previous experience working on carbon markets is a strong asset
- Profound understanding of the international and national carbon market and climate finance architecture
- Excellent communication and interpersonal skills
- Fluent command of Thai and English both spoken and written is absolutely required
- Excellent command of MS Office package (Word, Excel and PowerPoint) and Microsoft Teams

Personal attributes and competencies:

- Self-motivated, flexible and resourceful
- Good organizational and conceptualization skill
- Hands-on mentality and detail-oriented work ethics
- Ability to work independently and in a team
- Ability to work under pressure and meet deadlines with strong attention to consistency, detail, and quality
- Interest and desire to work in a cross-cultural context, climate change mitigation and adaptation and sustainable agriculture value chains.
- Ability to work with several partners and actors.
- Have full right to work in Thailand without restriction.

Duty station and timeframe:

The position will be based in Bangkok and will report to the Project Financial Advisor in GIZ Thailand.
This will be a fixed-term contract, starting as soon as possible and running until 30 September 2025, with possibility for extension.

Please carefully read this announcement and **submit 1) a CV** AND **2) a cover letter in English** to aroonratt.soontonbura@giz.de.

The **deadline for applications is 23 October 2026**. Only shortlisted candidates will be contacted.

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