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| <b>Salary Band 4T</b> | <b>Senior Technical Advisor: Climate Action and Sustainable Finance</b> |
| Reports to:           | Component Manager CSP IV  |
| Duty Station          | Hatfield, Pretoria  |
| Duration              | 01 November 2023 – November 2026  |

## A. BACKGROUND

Germany provides a visible and impactful contribution to support the South African Government in reaching its goals to tackle the challenge of climate change. **The Climate Support Programme (CSP)** funded under the **International Climate Initiative (IKI)**, a financing vehicle by the **German Ministry for Environment, Nature Conservation and Nuclear Safety (BMU)** is supporting the Department of Forestry, Fisheries, and the Environment, (DFFE) in developing and implementing climate change policy. Areas of technical and financial support include the topics of adaptation to the adverse effects of climate change, mitigation of greenhouse gases, monitoring and evaluation, Climate Changes Response Support Programmes (Implementation of Climate Action) as well as Climate Policy and Governance.

The advertised position is oriented at phase IV of the Climate Support Programme until October 2025. The focus of the position will lie within the areas project pipeline creation and sustainable/green up-scalability approaches. In addition to that sustainable finance and private sector engagement will be considered.

## B. RESPONSIBILITIES

The Sustainable Finance Senior Technical is expected to undertake the following tasks:

- Technical and strategic advice to DFFE and other relevant partner institutions on climate change related projects and finance tools
- Application of concepts for climate/green finance mobilisation to support the implementation of investment aligned to SA's NDC and its 2050 long-term strategy.
- Identify suitable sustainable finance tools for applicability to support SA NDC project pipeline creation and implementation.
- Technical advisory and project management of consulting projects and other tasks required for project implementation, including research, application of financial instruments, general support, and technical contributions.

- Preparation of terms of reference for consultants, manage procurement processes, ensure management and technical oversight of consultants appointed and quality assurance of deliverables submitted.
- Development of concept notes and project proposals for sourcing funding for identified projects within the overall Climate Cluster.
- Policy guidance and support to the Climate Cluster on emerging trends (locally and internationally) in climate/sustainable finance policies and related frameworks.
- Plan and arrange meetings, workshops and keep record of proceedings.
- Coordinate, align with and manage other potential partner initiatives to enhance alignment e.g., IFC, BASA, WBG, DBSA, private sector representatives.
- Support the Climate Cluster Management Team in Portfolio Development and acquisition processes.

### **C. GENERAL OBLIGATIONS**

The Technical Advisor is expected to fulfil the following general obligations:

- Become familiar with other projects and programme components and GIZ-assisted measures, concepts and status of implementation and knows the corresponding experts and staff.
- The employee must be prepared to travel within South Africa and Abroad.

### **D. REQUIRED QUALIFICATIONS, COMPETENCIES AND EXPERIENCES**

#### **Qualifications:**

- University degree (post-graduate) in an area that is related to the programme objectives – e.g., Development Finance/Economics, Climate Change, Environmental Management, Public Policy, Business Administration and/or Sustainable Development job profile.

#### **Professional Experience:**

- 8 years or more of relevant work experience in sustainable finance and project implementation and management related work; advisory or consulting services.
- In-depth knowledge of Sustainable Finance, Green Investment, Market Mechanisms and its implementation in South Africa as well as links to the Just Transition Framework.

- Experience working with public or private finance policy, financial reporting systems and tools.
- Demonstrate innovation in the use of financial systems and tools, and knowledge of the current trends in budgeting, financial reporting and analysis.
- Experience on urban/regional development projects
- Proven experience working on climate/ green fiscal policies and its implementation.
- Sound knowledge of and working experience with South African public and private sector in relation to climate change, sustainable development, Just Transition and investment.
- Experience in project proposal development for sourcing of finance (sustainable/green finance) for project implementation.
- Demonstrable ability and skill to work in partnership with a range of stakeholders and on different levels, including government, private sector and non-profit and experience in the conceptualisation and management of partner and results oriented consulting assignments.
- Experience in preparing and conducting stakeholder engagement sessions of diverse nature,
- Experience in working with or in the financial sector (commercial banks), development finance institutions, investors, industry or multilateral development actors, research, and development institutions.
- Good understanding and demonstrated experience in climate change project pipeline development.
- Demonstrated experience of working in a multi-cultural team environment.
- High level of flexibility and ability to engage proactively, time efficiently and competently in new and varying assignments, as well as strong interpersonal skills.
- Excellent knowledge of ITC technologies and MS Office applications (Outlook, Word, Excel, PowerPoint, MS Teams), as well as online collaboration tools.

#### **E. Other knowledge, additional competences**

- Willingness to support the implementation of technical projects with minimal management supervision,
- Excellent analytical skills,
- Pro-active and engaging,
- Excellent communication skills,
- Ability to perform in pressure situation,
- Passionate for the topic of climate change and sustainable finance,

## F. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- This position is based at GIZ in **Hatfield, Pretoria**
- The employee must be prepared to travel to the project areas within South Africa.
- At GIZ, you will be offered global network and an atmosphere that is characterised by diversity, respect, and genuine equal opportunities. Gender equality promotion is a matter of course for us.
- GIZ is a signatory of the Diversity Charter. Recognition, appreciation, and inclusion of diversity in the company are important to us. All employees shall be valued - regardless of gender and gender identity, nationality, ethnic origin, religion or belief, disability, social background, age, or sexual orientation.
- GIZ would like to increase the proportion of employees with disability. Applications from persons with disabilities are most welcome.
- The successful candidate will be expected to start full-time employment with GIZ on a fixed-term contract as soon as possible.
- The contract period for this position is until **30 November 2026**

## E. APPLICATION PROCESS

**GIZ will only assess applications which meet the following criteria:**

Suitable candidates should apply by submitting a

- **Cover Letter (concisely 1 page)** clearly stating your motivation for applying for the position and as well as salary range expectation.
- A detailed CV.
- Proof of eligibility to work in South Africa (copy of SA ID).

The application should be submitted to: [recruit-pretoria@giz.de](mailto:recruit-pretoria@giz.de), with the following email subject line “**Senior Technical Advisor: Climate Action and Sustainable Finance**” for the attention of Head of Human Resource.

Closing date for applications: **26<sup>th</sup> of September 2023.**

**Only applicants shortlisted for interview will be contacted.**

**Applications without a Cover letter will not be considered!**