

Salary Band 4	Implementation / Sustainable Finance Advisor
Reports to:	CSP Head of Component – Output 2
Duration:	Until 31 December 2024 (with possibility of extension)

1. 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 Economic Affairs and Climate Action (BMWK)** 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 the phase IV of the **Climate Support Programme until 31 December 2024, with a possibility of extension**. The focus of the position will lie within the areas of implementation sustainable finance, private sector engagement, project pipeline creation and sustainable/green up-scalability approaches.

The focus of the position is in **Output 2** with cross-sectional tasks in **Output 1 and 3**.

A. TASKS AND RESPONSIBILITIES

The Implementation/ Sustainable Finance Technical Advisor is expected to undertake the following tasks:

- Strategic development as well as organisational advice to DFFE and other relevant partner institutions/partners.
- Application of concepts for climate/green finance mobilisation. Support implementation and/or investment aligned to SA's NDC and its 2050 long-term strategy.
- Identify suitable financial tools (incl. green bonds, green loans, and sustainability-linked loans and bonds) for applicability to support the SA NDC project pipeline creation and implementation.

- Project management of consulting projects and other tasks required for project implementation, including research, general support, and technical contributions.
- Prepare terms of reference for consultants, manage procurement, ensure management and technical oversight of consultants appointed and quality assurance of deliverables submitted.
- 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.

B. 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 to the project areas within South Africa.

C. REQUIRED QUALIFICATIONS, COMPETENCES AND EXPERIENCE

Qualifications:

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

Professional Experience

- 5 years or more of relevant work experience in sustainable finance/project finance/finance policy analysis, project implementation and management related work; investment banking, advisory or consulting services.
- In-depth knowledge of Sustainable Finance, Project Financing, Public Finance, Green Investment, Market Mechanisms, Private Sector Development and its implementation in South Africa.

Other Knowledge, Additional Competences

- Experience on local/provincial/regional development projects
- Proven experience working with climate/ green fiscal policies and their implementation.
- Sound knowledge of South African public and private sector landscape in relation to climate change, sustainable development, social and environmental developments. Demonstrable ability and skill to work in partnership with a range of stakeholders and on different levels, including government, private sector and non-profit organisations.
- 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 in working with local, provincial or national government in South Africa, national or regional private sector as well as proven network in South Africa in the area of climate change.
- Experience in working with banks, investors, industry or multilateral development actors.
- Good understanding and demonstrated experience in project pipeline development and project financing.
- High level of flexibility and ability to engage proactively, time efficiently and competently in new and varying assignments, as well as strong interpersonal skills.
- 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 green economy.

D. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- The position will be based at the **GIZ Offices in Hatfield, Pretoria.**
- The contract period for this position is until is until **31 December 2024.** (potential of extension exists)

E. APPLICATION PROCESS

Suitable candidates should apply by submitting:

- A **motivation letter (max. 1 page)** stating why they should be the preferred candidate and the value added they will bring to the project.
- A **detailed CV indicating their nationality**

Applications should be submitted to: recruit-pretoria@giz.de with subject line “**Application for CSP Implementation / Sustainable Finance Advisor**” for the attention of Head of HR.

Closing date for applications: **07th of October 2022.**

Only shortlisted candidates will be informed!

Applications without a motivation letter will not be considered!