



## **Announcement for Consultancy**

### **Communications and Engagement Division Consultant, Renewable Energy Expert (Bangladesh)**

Deadline for application	Announcement number	Expected date for entry on duty	Duration of appointment	Duty Station
31 August 2023 23:59 hrs CET	23/CON04/C&E	As soon as possible	31 December 2023	Bangladesh

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The United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) is the focus of the political process to address Climate Change. The Convention secretariat supports the Convention and its Kyoto Protocol by a range of activities, including substantive and organizational support to meetings of the Parties.

The Communications and Engagement (C&E) division supports implementation of the Paris Agreement by enabling collaboration between governments and the cities, regions, businesses, and investors that must act on climate change. Its mission is to step up collaboration between governments and key stakeholders to immediately lower emissions and increase resilience against climate impacts. These actions will be guided by the long-term goals of the Paris Agreement and undertaken in the context of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.

C&E develops new cooperation initiatives within business engagement workstream to support climate action across all sectors, with a primary focus in facilitating and support cooperation among existing initiatives projects. The Fashion Industry Charter for Climate Action (Fashion Charter) is a broader climate action work program, convening fashion stakeholders to develop a coherent, unified position on climate. The work program aims to connect the diverse stakeholders in the fashion industry, including raw material producers, textile producers, apparel manufacturers and brands, to identify new areas for action and to scale up existing initiatives that connect the value chain.

#### Purpose

The Charter is looking for an expert to work closely with the policy engagement working group of the Fashion Charter to: a) develop an understanding of policy and technology landscape in Bangladesh including policy opportunities and b) design a proposal for a pilot on corporate procurement for off-site renewable energy implementation in Bangladesh.

He/she will work under the direct supervision of the business engagement lead.

#### Tasks

For Bangladesh, the consultant will:

1. Review existing information, reports and studies pertaining to the current conditions for decarbonizing the production of fashion and textile in Bangladesh.



2. Identify and establish engagement of key stakeholders that have an influence on the decision making on activities related to decarbonization of the sector at national levels.
3. Analyze the Nationally Determined Contribution (NDC) of the country and identify if the sector is covered by the NDC, if any measures to address the industry are already identified, and what share of national emissions that the sector is responsible for.
4. Articulate policy landscape and opportunities that allow for the deployment of renewable energy solutions and identify solutions available for scaling.
5. Finally, design a proposal for a pilot on corporate procurement for off-site renewable energy implementation. This work to include scoping exercise for a pilot project plan including financial and legal models and requirements, provide a proposal on potential developers able to develop a technical project based on requirements; draft a concrete proposal and drive local engagement with key stakeholder in an inclusive manner as required.

## Outputs

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The following outputs are expected as part of this assignment:

<b>Output</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Performance indicators</b>
Expected start date	Soonest	Contract signed
Pilot Scoping & Bangladesh NDC analysis	1 month since joining	First Outline
Stakeholder Engagement Plan	1 month since joining	Information package about each stakeholder, with updates provided when needed
Policy landscape Document including renewable energy options in the country	By end of October 2023	Document is delivered and approved by the UNFCCC and stakeholders
Draft a proposal for a pilot on corporate procurement for off-site renewable energy including financial and policy considerations. implementation	By end of October 2023	First Draft is delivered and approved by Fashion Charter Steering Committee
Proposal Final Draft	By mid- November 2023	Final draft is delivered and approved by the Fashion Charter Steering Committee

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## **Timeframe**

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The Consultant is expected to be available from August 2023 to December 2023, with the main activities to take place between August to October 2023. During November and December, it is expected that that consultant will help the Charter members prepare for any relevant activities at the Regional Climate Week (in Malaysia) and COP28, scheduled to take place in Dubai.

## **Duty station and places of travel**

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The consultant is expected to be a Bangladesh National or already have a valid work permit to live and work locally in Bangladesh.

## **Requirements**

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- Master's degree in Energy/Manufacturing/ International relations or other relevant field.
- At least 10 years of work experience in energy policy space in Bangladesh or a similar regional market.
- Deep knowledge and experience of renewable energy technology, policy and processes in Bangladesh, and an understanding of existing barriers and challenges to be overcome
- Ability to identify and shape renewable energy policy solutions such as PPAs, that will work effectively in a Bangladeshi context, drawing on best practice from other relevant locations whilst taking account of local nuances and limitations.
- Expertise to review case studies from other regions (global, more specifically South and Southeast Asia) to draw on key examples and apply to Bangladesh context.
- Deep experience engaging national policy and private sector stakeholders in Bangladesh, with the ability to map actors, opportunities, and barriers and to design a pilot project plan.
- An existing network of relationships with key stakeholders in Bangladesh that can be leveraged in support of developing the pilot project.
- Providing processes, structures and recommendations for policy analysis and mapping and for stakeholder engagement, that can be used to capture the findings for Bangladesh and sharing these solutions across multiple geographies
- Strong experience of facilitating PPA structures – particularly collective solutions – with private sector actors (ideally experience from similar relevant countries)
- Capacity to support private sector engagement with policy asks, and to manage private sector actors as part of a wider programme of influence.
- Support in identifying and engaging suitable on-ground technical and analytical capacity within Bangladesh.

## **How to apply:**

Candidates, whose qualifications and experience match what we are looking for, should use the on-line application system available at <http://unfccc.int/secretariat/employment/recruitment>

## **Please note:**



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1. UNFCCC is committed to diversity and inclusion within its workforce, and encourages all candidates, irrespective of gender, nationality, religious and ethnic backgrounds, including persons with disabilities to apply.
2. We will confirm receipt of your application. However, only candidates under serious consideration and contacted for an interview will receive notice of the final outcome of the selection process.

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