



Announcement for Fellowship

Finance, Technology and Capacity-building (FTC)

Deadline for application	Announcement number	Expected date for entry on duty	Duration of appointment	Duty Station
04 June 2018	18/FP05/FTC	As soon as possible	One year with possibility of extension	Bonn, Germany

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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 UNFCCC secretariat supports the Convention, its Kyoto Protocol and the historic Paris Agreement through a range of activities, including substantive and organizational support to meetings of the Parties and the implementation of commitments. It is a dynamic organization working in a politically challenging environment to help resolve one of the defining environmental issues of our time.

Thanks to funding from the Government of Italy, the UNFCCC secretariat is launching the Capacity Award Programme to Advance Capabilities and Institutional Training in one Year (CAPACITY) as a new Fellowship Programme with the aim of developing capacity of negotiators and therefore increase the level of implementation of the Paris Agreement. The CAPACITY Fellowship Programme will contribute to building capacity for addressing climate change in Small Islands Developing States (SIDS) and Least Developed Countries (LDCs), through the development of local professional expertise by:

- Supporting innovative analytical work on climate change in the context of sustainable development;
- Promoting a network of experts who can bring creative and innovative options to bear on questions of climate change;
- Encouraging the leadership potential of young and promising professionals in their fields.

The Programme target group consists of mid-career professionals who are already in a government's employment and who are nationals of and working in a SIDS or LDC Party. While Fellowships are awarded to individuals, the need for development/training must occur within the context of the organization for which an applicant works. The training must help the organization to develop its capacity.

Where will you be working

The Finance, Technology and Capacity-building (FTC) programme supports the mobilization of financial resources, international cooperation on technology development and transfer, capacity-building; and education, training and public awareness to enable enhanced action by Parties related to climate change.

What will you be doing

Expertise is sought to assist the Needs-based Climate Finance (NBF) project responding to mandate in decision 6/CP.23, paragraph 10 and overall support to capacity building work of FTC. In particular, you will:



- Provide substantive support to the implementation of the NBF project, through: i) undertaking targeted research; ii) liaising with partners at the global, regional and national levels; iii) producing outreach and dissemination materials; and iv) supporting the logistical and substantive organization of national and regional events.
- Support the work of FTC on capacity building, including technical support to the implementation of the work plan of the PCCB and strengthen collaboration with other programs within the secretariat and with external stakeholders.
- Assist in the oversight of the country specialist initiative, as required.

What are we looking for

Educational background

Required: Master degree in environmental studies, engineering, social studies or a related field. A combination of a first-level university degree and an additional two years of relevant work experience may also be accepted in lieu of an advanced degree.

Experience

Required: At least three years of experience in supporting national level implementation of climate actions, in developing and implementing capacity building activities at the country level for climate change and in developing partnership and collaboration with a wide range of stakeholders.

Language skills

Required: Proficiency in written and spoken English.

Desired: Knowledge of another UN official language.

Others

1. The Fellowship Programme is open to individuals
 - a. Currently employed in a governmental organisation (national, regional, provincial or local) including educational institutions, research institutes and ministries.
 - b. Be a national of an eligible LDC and SIDS country.
2. The secretariat will consider candidates only from SIDS or LDC Parties with a view to ensuring gender balance in the selection of candidates.

What is the selection process

You may be invited for assessment of your technical/professional knowledge and/or an interview to assess the skills and aptitudes required to successfully perform the functions of the post.



At a certain point and as part of the selection further considered candidates will be requested to provide the following information:

- a. Obtain permission from their employer for leave of absence for the term of the Fellowship, and provide written certification that s/he will return to the Party's governmental institution for at least six months after her/his Fellowship;
- b. Obtain a written letter of intention by their employer that the new knowledge acquired during the fellowship will be integrated in the climate change activities of the government upon their return;
- c. Obtain written certification from their employer that the subject of the applied position is relevant to the needs of the releasing entity/organization.

How to apply:

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

Please note:

1. This Programme is not intended for students, and does not provide financial support for an advanced degree, such as fieldwork for a PhD degree
2. We will confirm receipt of your application. However, only candidates who have been confirmed for an interview will receive notice of the outcome of the selection process.
3. The monthly stipend including allowances is US\$ 4,663
4. The UNFCCC Secretariat will organise the return trip to Bonn and pay a baggage allowance of up to USD 150 (one way)
