



Announcement for Fellowship

Sustainable Development Mechanisms (SDM)
Office of the Director

Deadline for application	Announcement number	Expected date for entry on duty	Duration of appointment	Duty Station
04 June 2018	18/FP09/SDM	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 Sustainable Development Mechanisms (SDM) programme is leading in the development and effective implementation of innovative approaches to broaden the engagement in and effectiveness of action to mitigate climate change and drive sustainable development. SDM supports the implementation of the three Kyoto mechanisms - the Clean Development Mechanism (CDM), Joint Implementation (JI), and International Emissions Trading (IET) as well as supports the negotiations related to mechanisms, cooperative and non-market approaches under Article 6 of the Paris Agreement. SDM also manages the NAZCA platform and engages with non-Party stakeholders in climate action.

The fellowship will be located in the Stakeholders and Regional Support team. The team is responsible for managing the effective delivery of support to a variety of stakeholders through partnerships and the RCCs and providing the secretariat with a regional presence by partnering with institutions based in the regions thus offering an accessible, informed and effective in-country



platform for multi-stakeholders to engage with regulators, share information and build capacity on climate action.

What will you be doing

Expertise is sought to provide technical and/or project management support on CDM and usage of its tools among stakeholders, implementation of Paris Agreement, GCA activities and Regional presence. You will also engage with other UNFCCC programmes. In particular, you will:

- Conduct research and analysis of various stakeholder inputs;
- Develop proposals for improvements to existing requirements and/or creation of project proposals, additional tools and guidelines including for confounding and joint delivery with other programmes and UN agencies;
- Support and monitor the implementation of appropriate, dedicated channels of communication for key stakeholders.

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 project management, public information management, client/customer communication and support; Developmental assistance experience or previous involvement in an international and multi-cultural setting is highly desirable.

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 or 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)