



## Announcement for Fellowship

Mitigation Division  
Constituted Bodies and Data Services Subdivision

Deadline for application	Announcement number	Expected date for entry on duty	Duration of appointment	Duty Station
12 August 2022	22/FPO4/M	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 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 a new round of the Capacity Award Programme to Advance Capabilities and Institutional Training in one Year (CAPACITY) Fellowship Programme with the aim of developing capacity of negotiators and therefore increasing the level of implementation of the Paris Agreement. The CAPACITY Fellowship Programme contributes 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, as described below, must occur within the context of the organization for which an applicant works. The training must help the organization to develop its capacity.

### **Where you will be working**

The **Mitigation division** will support Parties to facilitate, catalyse and cooperate in the implementation of ambitious climate action in line with global efforts to limit temperature increase. Parties will be supported in developing, communicating and effectively implementing ambitious Nationally Determined Contributions (NDCs) in a manner that facilitates clarity, transparency, understanding and accounting, including through the use of collaborative approaches, mechanisms, framework engagements and economic instruments that broaden mitigation action and drive sustainable development.

The **Regulations Development unit**, where this fellowship post is placed, belongs to the **Constituted Bodies and Data Services sub-division**, and supports the constituted bodies and their supporting panels through the development of regulatory standards, procedures, guidelines and policies for the market mechanisms under the Kyoto Protocol and the Paris Agreement.



### **What you will be doing**

Expertise is sought the following:

- Drafting regulatory documents (standards, procedures, guidelines, forms, etc.) for the mechanism established by Article 6, paragraph 4, of the Paris Agreement (Article 6.4 mechanism)
- Drafting concept notes on regulatory matters, providing analysis of regulatory requirements, possible options and impacts

### **What we are offering for the Fellow**

The selected Fellow will acquire deep knowledge and understanding of regulatory aspects of the Article 6.4 mechanism, and drafting skills of policy and regulatory documents.

### **What we are looking for**

#### **Educational background**

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Required: Master degree in law, environmental or sustainable development policy 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**

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Required: At least three years of experience in market mechanisms under the Kyoto Protocol, Paris Agreement, domestic carbon regulations or voluntary carbon market. Experience in climate change and sustainable development would be a strong asset.

#### **Language skills**

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Required: Proficiency in written and spoken English.

Desired: Knowledge of another UN official language.

#### **Others**

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1. The Fellowship Programme is open to individuals who are
  - a. Currently employed in a governmental organisation (national, regional, provincial or local) including educational institutions, research institutes and ministries.
  - b. A national of an eligible LDC and SIDS country as listed in the following links (<https://www.un.org/development/desa/dpad/least-developed-country-category/ldcs-at-a-glance.html>) and <https://sustainabledevelopment.un.org/topics/sids/list> (UN members only).
  - c. Maximum of 40 years of age at the closing date of Fellowship Opportunity notice;
2. The secretariat values inclusiveness, diversity and gender equity.



### **The selection process**

You may be invited for assessment of your technical/professional knowledge. If successful, you will be invited for the final stage of the selection process, which consists of 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 process, each candidate 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;
- c. Obtain written certification from their employer that the subject of the applied position is relevant to the needs of the organization.

Please note that you should not provide this information at this stage of application.

### **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, nor to provide 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 EUR 4500.
4. The UNFCCC Secretariat will organise the return trip to Bonn.

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