



Vacancy Announcement

SNV Netherlands Development Organisation seeks to fill the following position:

Energy Focal Point & Ghana Climate Innovation Centre Project Manager

Background

SNV is an international not-for-profit development organisation that has built a long-term local presence in 38 countries in Asia, Africa and Latin-America. Our global team of advisors uses their specialist sector and change expertise in Agriculture, Energy and WASH to facilitate sustainable change in the livelihoods of millions of people living in poverty.

In Ghana, SNV's Energy sector focuses on energy for productive use, household energy access and SME development projects. To strengthen the team we are looking for a motivated National Energy and Development Expert to fill the position of Energy Focal Point (EFP) and Ghana Climate Innovation Centre (GCIC) Project Manager.

Energy Focal Point

As Energy Focal Person this key role will lead SNV's work on the GCIC, provide advisory services to other energy projects and actively participate in new business development to increase the size of the SNV energy portfolio. The EFP will interact directly with Country Director and manage relationships with donors, partner institutions and other stakeholders.

GCIC Project Manager

As Project Manager will provide technical leadership and managerial oversight of the GCIC project, including among others, ensuring the timely and successful implementation of SNV's work, oversight and reporting of activities, and project deliverables.

The Ghana Climate Innovation Centre (GCIC)

The objective of the GCIC is to establish local institutional capacity to support Ghanaian entrepreneurs and new ventures involved in developing profitable and locally-appropriate solutions to climate change mitigation and adaptation and is implemented by a consortium consisting of Ashesi University College, SNV, Ernst and Young Advisory Services and United Nations University-Institute for Natural Resources in Africa. The GCIC is one of seven centres globally that are supported by the World Bank.

The GCIC has been established to offer a full suite of financing and capacity building services to Ghanaian technologists, entrepreneurs and new ventures that address challenges to starting and scaling their climate (clean) technology businesses in sectors such as renewable energy, energy efficiency, waste management, climate smart agriculture and water management and purification. In addition to incubating promising start-ups, the GCIC will provide dedicated proof-of-concept and seed capital funding to entrepreneurs to bridge local funding gaps. In parallel to investments, the GCIC also provides business advisory and training services, market development services, access to product testing facilities and government engagement on policy.

Key Responsibilities

Project Management:

1. Deliver effective development results, planning and monitoring, financial management, and donor reporting;
2. Overall management of project including managing a team of 3 staff and consultants, budgets, M&E, outputs and milestones to ensure objectives and indicators are being met;
3. Lead the implementation of TA interventions for entrepreneurship development, market access, technology and product development etc;
4. Manage the day to day relationship with consortium partners and donors.

Advisory services:

5. To facilitate advisory services and technical assistance to support the timely and correct implementation of energy projects within the SNV Ghana portfolio, including business model development, SME support and the identification of scaling finance.

Business Development:

6. Explore opportunities for new projects for the Energy sector of SNV Ghana, develop proposals and secure funding for innovative energy programmes;
7. Support the SNV Business Development Unit with the development of energy related proposals and provide inputs for proposal development in other sectors;
8. Strategic Leadership: develop the energy strategy of SNV Ghana aligned to SNV corporate frameworks;
9. Represent SNV in energy content events and networks at national and international level;
10. Profiling and positioning of the SNV Ghana energy sector through effective knowledge management and dissemination of good practices and lessons learned;
11. Communication and positioning: guide knowledge development, documentation, communication and branding in close consultation with the country director and global sector coordinator.

Requirements

1. Post-graduate degree (Master's or PhD) in Energy, Entrepreneurship, Finance or Management;
2. Minimum of 7 years of progressive experience in designing, managing and implementing energy related development programmes in Ghana or West Africa;
3. Proactive, creative and entrepreneurial attitude to explore and develop innovative approaches;
4. Knowledge of and experience in renewable energy solutions, value chain development, results based financing, micro-finance and private sector development;
5. Experience in coordinating concept and proposal development, strong proposal writer, proven results in Business Development;
7. Excellent networking, reporting and presentation skills, ability to engage with donors, governments, the private sector and civil society; with proven leadership and ability to build and motivate diverse and talented teams;
8. Strong interpersonal and influencing skills and experience working in a matrix organisation;
9. Willingness and ability to travel regularly and work in remote areas;
10. Good computer skills in MS-applications (Word, Excel, Internet, Email, Powerpoint).
11. Women are encouraged to apply.

Duty station: Accra

Contract Type: National

Contract Duration: Intended for initial period of two years with option for extension

Desired Start Date: ASAP

How to Apply: To apply, eligible and interested candidates should send a motivation letter and recent CV to jobsghana@snvworld.org not later than **November 4th 2016**.

- Late submissions after the deadline WILL NOT be considered.
- Only short-listed applicants will be contacted

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