

Salary Band 4	Technical Advisor - The Low Carbon and Climate Resilient Water and Wastewater Management Project (LCCR)
Reports to:	Project Manager LCCR Water
Duration	Until 31.12.2025 with an option for extension

BACKGROUND

The Low Carbon and Climate Resilient Water and Wastewater Management Project (**LCCR**) is funded by the German Federal Government under the International Climate Initiative (IKI) and the Swiss State Secretariat for Economic Affairs (SECO) and is implemented by Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (**GIZ**) GmbH.

The project supports secondary municipalities in South Africa managing water for the future by improving the climate resilience of the water management, reducing the greenhouse gas emissions in water and wastewater services, and improving services to vulnerable communities.

Interventions include reducing non-revenue water, improving energy efficiency of wastewater treatment, reducing flood risks, introducing elements of water sensitive urban design, and addressing the needs of vulnerable communities. In doing so, the project will also support municipalities in linking with existing funding opportunities for climate resilient infrastructure and project preparation facilities.

At the local level, the project will cooperate with the George Local Municipality and City of uMhlathuze.

At the national level, the project cooperates with the Department of Water and Sanitation as well as other key stakeholders to ensure that lessons learnt at the local level can be replicated and inform policy.

The LCCR is looking for a suitable candidate to support the **George Local Municipality** in the implementation of the project.

A. RESPONSIBILITIES AND TASKS

The Technical Advisor will be based in George and support the implementation of LCCR through advising the relevant municipal departments involved in the project.

The assignment includes, for example:

- Building effective working relationships between LCCR and the municipality.
- Provide technical advice on work packages (e.g. on non-revenue water, energy efficiency, urban planning or sustainable finance and project preparation)
- Identify and help implement cutting edge solutions in climate resilient water management.
- Supporting the municipality in identifying capacity development needs.
- Translating identified needs into Terms of References (ToRs) for national/international technical consultants in collaboration with the municipality.
- Support LCCR in the procurement of consulting services, supervise and coordinate the delivery of consultancy services on a day-to-day basis (incl. quality control of deliverables, technical backstopping).
- Ensure the effective implementation of technical assistance and training activities and report periodically on the progress.
- Support the municipality in applying for additional support, e.g. from project preparation facilities like the City Climate Finance Gap Fund and in the implementation of the same.
- Identify opportunities for the implementation of the DWS' Climate Change Response Strategy.
- Identify and build relationship with other local actors relevant for the success of LCCR.
- Document lessons learned and prepare publishable products for dissemination to partner organisations for replication and upscaling.
- Closely cooperate with the LCCR advisor in the City of uMhlathuze.
- Actively support knowledge exchange between the LCCR partner municipalities and with other GIZ projects in South Africa.
- Be an active member of GIZ's Climate Cluster South Africa and GIZ's global water community

B. REQUIRED QUALIFICATIONS, COMPETENCIES AND EXPERIENCES**Qualification:**

- Post graduate degree in Civil Engineering, Urban Planning, Environmental Studies, or a related field.

Professional Experience: or

- 5 years of experience of working in or with public administrations and a thorough understanding of the structures and processes of South African municipal governments and administrations.
- 5 years of experience of working in the field of water and wastewater management, climate change adaptation, sustainable finance and project preparation, or sustainable urban planning.
- Proven experience in understanding capacity development and implementation in capacity development projects in municipalities.
- Proven working experience in project management, ideally in a municipal environment.
- Strong understanding of the national, provincial, and local context including political situation, rules and regulations, stakeholders and institutions relevant for the projects.
- Experience in climate change and resilience
- Experience in commissioning and supervising external consultancy services.
- Excellent networking and communication skills.

Other Knowledge, Additional Competences

- Ability and willingness to work in a dynamic team.
- Strong interpersonal, intercultural and (online) communication skills.
- Experience with remote management and ability to work in virtual collaboration in an organized, balanced, self-motivated manner.
- Flexibility and mobility: if required, readiness to travel and to have flexible working hours; driving license.
- Relevant digital skills (Microsoft Office including MS Teams, Outlook; SharePoint, etc).

C. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- **This position is based in the George Local Municipality.**
- At GIZ, you will be offered a global network and an atmosphere that is characterised by diversity, respect, equal opportunities and gender equality promotion.
- GIZ is a signatory of the Diversity Charter. Recognition, appreciation, and inclusion of diversity in the company are important to us. All employees shall be valued - regardless of gender and gender identity, nationality, ethnic origin, religion or belief, disability, social background, age, or sexual orientation.
- GIZ would like to increase the proportion of employees with a disability. Applications from persons with disabilities are most welcome; and
- The contract period for this position is until **31.07.2025 in line with the commissioning current period of the Project/ Programme** with possible extension until October 2026.
- For this position a part-time contract can be offered.

D. APPLICATION PROCESS

- Suitable candidates should apply by submitting a **motivation letter and a detailed CV with proof of eligibility to work in South Africa**. Applications should be submitted to: recruit-pretoria@giz.de , with the email subject line: **“Application for LCCR TA George position”** for the attention of Head of Human Resource.
- Closing date for applications: **31 July 2024**.

Only shortlisted candidates will be contacted.

Applications without a motivation letter will not be considered!