

Evaluation Specialist - Implementation Science

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Company: Green Climate Fund

Grade: IS - 4

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Salary: USD 114,600

The Green Climate Fund (GCF) is a multilateral fund created to make significant, ambitious contributions to the global efforts to combat climate change. GCF contributes to achieving the objectives of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) and the Paris Agreement. In the context of sustainable development, GCF aims to promote a paradigm shift towards low-emission and climate-resilient development pathways by providing support to developing countries to limit or reduce their greenhouse gas emissions and to adapt to climate change, while accounting for their needs and supporting particularly those that are vulnerable to the adverse effects of climate change. The GCF is governed by a Board, composed of an equal number of members from developed and developing countries. It is operated by an independent Secretariat headed by an Executive Director. The Independent Evaluation Unit (IEU) of the GCF is mandated by the GCF Board under paragraph 60 of its Governing Instrument to inform its decision making. The IEU has a mandate for both an accountability function and for supporting learning. These are central to the GCF as a learning organization as also laid out in its Governing Instrument.

The IEU has several objectives:

- (a) Inform decision-making by the Board and identify, disseminate lessons learned; contributing to guiding the GCF and stakeholders as a learning institution, providing strategic guidance;
- (b) Conduct periodic independent evaluations of GCF performance to objectively assess the results of the GCF and the effectiveness and efficiency of its activities;
- (c) Provide evaluation reports to the Conference of the Parties to the UNFCCC and the Paris Agreement for purposes of periodic reviews of the Financial Mechanism.

Position Objective

The IEU is seeking to recruit an Evaluation Specialist (Focus on Implementation Science). Under the overall guidance of the Head of the Unit, the Specialist will be responsible to provide extensive support to three of the four major pillars of the IEU workplan, in particular she/he will be responsible for managing the Independent Evaluation Unit in the development and delivery of evaluations, delivering LORTA, maintaining databases,

executing measurement systems, impact assessments and analyses on on-the-ground implementation.

- a) The Evaluation Specialist will undertake and provide key skills and management participate in key evaluation activities of the IEU, in particular the learning-oriented real-time impact assessment (LORTA) work of the IEU. These may include evaluations of the GCF performance, policy, programmes and other activities, as included in the yearly workplan of the IEU and approved by the GCF Board. In particular, the Evaluation Specialist is expected to provide leadership to the LORTA synthesis work at the IEU. The Specialist will undertake an assessment, quantitative and qualitative analysis of the evidence and themes emergent in IEU reports and other GCF evidence.
- b) The Evaluation Specialist will support institutional process and carrying out the responsibilities of the IEU. These may include, and not limited to, the technical development of guidance for carrying out evaluations for GCF projects and programmes, outreach on the guidance, liaison with GCF stakeholders.
- c) The Specialist will also provide expertise and skills in data collection, analysis and synthesis, particularly with respect to quantitative and qualitative impact data. As such, the Specialist will participate in the IEU DataLab and this work will feed into evaluations, learning and advisory work of the IEU and will build the overall capacity of the IEU. The role will require an excellent understanding of qualitative methods, which may include: grounded theory, case study research, political sciences. The Specialist will be able to support efforts to ensure reliability, validity and rigour in data collection, development of measurement systems and impact assessments.

Duties and responsibilities Purpose

- Undertake evaluations that are part of the workplan of the IEU, including provision of intellectual and managerial inputs;
- Identify and adapt measurement and impact assessment methods for IEU LORTA window;
- Identify and undertake tasks related to the development of tools and methods to enhance implementation of LORTA, and subsequent tasks for the IEU; these may include development of standards, provision of technical expertise;
- Lead and undertake data analyses.

Engagement

- Provide substantive input to the development of IEU efforts to support building of evaluation and methods capacities, in particular of direct access entities;
- Undertake and lead tasks such as designing and collecting databases, support the
 capacity building on measurement systems and also working with consultants and
 interns for this purpose as well as to do sophisticated impact assessment and
 implementation science work;
- Provide support to oversight and coordination of relevant documents internally up to the point of publication;
- Contribute substantively to the Datalab workstream and lead substantively the LORTA workstream with other members of the IEU (including consultants, experts,

- partners and others) on evaluations, methods or other tasks assigned by the Head and supervisor; in particular, work closely to develop methods and skills on data;
- Lead any additional analytical and operational tasks as assigned by the IEU Support any additional analytical and operational tasks as assigned by the IEU;
- Perform other related duties and willing to travel, as required.

Delivery

- Draft excellently written reports of impact assessment and evaluations and other output products of the IEU in the field and at headquarters;
- Provide organizational and substantive support for GCF Board meetings and other
 events and meetings related to the functioning of the IEU, for example assisting in
 the preparation of relevant documentation, taking meeting minutes, preparing
 summaries of discussions, meeting reports, drafting agreements and other legal
 documentation;
- Undertake assigned tasks with a high degree of self-direction and motivation;
- Manage, as required, individuals or teams of colleagues to support the work.

Required experience and qualifications*

- Master's Degree in evaluation, economics, social sciences or related fields; or a Bachelor's degree and 2 additional years of experience;
- At least nine years of relevant work experience in a professional capacity, impact assessment and implementation science, such as experience in climate change and/or evaluation, within an international organization, development agency, governmental, private sector or non-profit sector;
- The role will require an excellent understanding of impact assessment and implementation science methods, which may include grounded theory, case study research and syntheses. The Specialist will be able to lead the efforts to ensure reliability, validity and rigour in data collection, assessment and analysis;
- Driven by the mandate of the GCF and the IEU, and a hunger to support this mandate while being able to learn through the experience;
- Demonstrated capacity to work as a self-starter with requiring extensive day-to-day supervision;
- Ability to support the establishment and maintaining relationships with key
 partners including but not limited to the ability to represent the unit and interface
 effectively with stakeholders;
- Suitability to undertake the responsibilities mentioned above at the required level, with the following: (a) Proven application of expertise, knowledge within the area of evaluation and data analysis, (b) A team player with a proactive and can-do attitude;
- Experience of establishing strong working relationships with colleagues from different functions and cultures. Proven ability to work innovatively within a team environment;
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- Mature judgment and absolute commitment to confidentiality;
- Proven ability to multi-task and deal with high stress situations;
- Fluent written and spoken French and/or Spanish is a distinct advantage;
- Female candidates are strongly encouraged to apply for this.

*The person assessed by the Selection Panel as most suitable for the position will be proposed for appointment. Selection among short-listed candidates will also take into account performance at interview, appropriate testing, and references. Applications from women and nationals of developing countries are strongly encouraged.

Please use this link to apply:

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