The German government's international cooperation enterprise for sustainable development, Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) GmbH, operates world-wide on behalf of German Ministries, the governments of other countries and international clients. GIZ has a record of more than 60 years working in Thailand. The "GIZ Food and Agriculture Cluster" is currently looking for an intern to support the Sustainable Rice Platform (SRP) Secretariat in Bangkok, Thailand.

## Sustainable Rice Platform (SRP) Intern

The Sustainable Rice Platform (SRP) is a global multi-stakeholder initiative led by UN Environment in partnership with the International Rice Research Institute (IRRI), and consists of representatives from 85 institutions including governments, global private sector actors, SMEs, research institutes, civil society organizations, as well as GIZ. The initiative is dedicated to contribute to a sustainable global rice sector by promoting resource efficiency and sustainability in trade flows, production and consumption operations, and supply chains. UN Environment currently hosts the SRP Secretariat and serves as its legal entity.

The SRP pursues public policy development and voluntary market transformation initiatives to provide private, non-profit and public actors in the global rice sector with sustainable production standards and outreach mechanisms that contribute to increasing the global supply of affordable rice, improved livelihoods for rice producers and reduced environmental impact of rice production.

Having developed and launched the world's first rice sustainability standard and performance indicators, SRP is now embarking on its next phase of operation, which entails a multi-country field validation programme, development of sustainable supply chains and assurance framework, and engagement in the policy arena to drive wide-scale adoption. This will necessitate a significant increase in the Secretariat's human resource capacity.

The SRP Secretariat is seeking an intern with initial experience in sustainable agriculture and development, as well as knowledge and skills in organizational communication strategies.

Further information can be found on the following websites.

Sustainable Rice Platform: <a href="http://www.sustainablerice.org">http://www.sustainablerice.org</a>

GIZ Food and Agriculture Cluster: www.asean-agrifood.org

## **Tasks**

The **intern** will be integrated and will support the SRP Secretariat in the following fields of activities:

- Research on assigned topics in the area of sustainable rice agriculture, development communications and stakeholder engagement;
- Knowledge management and information exchange;
- Publications and public relations activities of the project including developing stories and other contents for website articles, newsletters, brochure, and other publications:

- Periodic updating of the organization's database of external and internal contacts;
- Preparing and organizing project events, including meetings, workshops, trainings or other identified special events; and
- Project administration and logistical support in the general day-to-day business, including drafting of reports, presentations, and minutes of meetings.

## **Qualifications and Requirements**

We are looking for a candidate who possesses (the equivalent of):

- A Bachelor or Master Degree in the field of agriculture, economics, international relations, development communications or related areas;
- Minimum of six-months work experience in the area of sustainable agriculture and development, preferably with a focus on Southeast Asia;
- Strong communication skills with special ability to draft and co-write texts for specific project purposes (e.g. project reports, studies, policy briefs, and articles for website)
- Excellent computer skills, with ability to effectively use ICT tools, including website management, CRM and database, as well as social media and mobile applications;
- Sound organizational and inter-personal skills; and
- Excellent command of written and verbal English.

The internship is funded by the GIZ Global Project "Strengthening international Agricultural Research Centers through the secondement of integrated experts" from the Unit "Agricultural Innovations and Sustainable Standards" in Germany, implemented by the GIZ "Food and Agriculture Cluster" in Thailand and seconded to the SRP Secretariat. The intern will work in close cooperation with the SRP Coordinator.

This will be a six-month contract, starting on 16. July 2018 and running until 15. January 2019. Only matriculated students or those who have graduated not more than six months before beginning the internship are eligible to apply for this opportunity.

Interested applicants may submit the following to <a href="mailto:secretariat@sustainablerice.org">Secretariat@sustainablerice.org</a> by 20 June 2018:

- Cover letter
- Resume with contact details of three (3) reference persons
- Sample of completed work (e.g. narrative report, web article, creative art work, etc.)

Only shortlisted candidates will be contacted.