



## Donor Funded Staffing Program

<b>TOR No:</b>	<b><u>2023-049</u></b>
<b>Title:</b>	<b>Junior Professional Officer – Environmental Economist</b>
<b>Grade:</b>	<b>UC</b>
<b>Division/VPU:</b>	Environment, Natural Resources and Blue Economy Global Practice (SEAE2)/ East Asia and the Pacific (EAPVP)
<b>Duty Location:</b>	Washington, D.C
<b>Appointment Type and Duration:</b>	Two-year Term Appointment

### **BACKGROUND**

#### **Environment and Natural Resources Global Practice Context**

Located within the World Bank’s Sustainable Development Practice Group, the Environment, Natural Resources and Blue Economy Global Practice (ENB) provides expertise, technical assistance and financing to help developing countries manage land, sea and freshwater natural resources in a sustainable way to help create jobs, improve livelihoods, enhance ecosystem services, decrease pollution and increase resilience to climate change. Over 360 ENB staff working across the globe help set a clean, green growth trajectory for resilient economies and healthy communities.

ENB five key business lines consisting of lending and non-lending services in (1) Forests, Landscapes and Biodiversity; (2) Blue Economy; (3) Pollution Management, Environmental Health, and Circular Economy; (4) Environmental Economics, Policies, and Institutions; and (5) Environmental Risk Management.

#### **Unit Context**

The SEAE2 unit is one of two ENB units in the East Asia and Pacific Region (EAP) and comprises about 40 staff. Staff in the unit manage a full spectrum of environment, climate change, green growth, blue economy, pollution management and natural resource lending and non-lending tasks in Vietnam, Cambodia, Laos, Myanmar, the Philippines, Thailand, and Malaysia. The unit also provides environmental risk management support to the entire World Bank investment portfolio in these countries, helping them to increase its sustainability through managing potential environmental impacts from their Bank-financed development programs by applying the World Bank Environmental and Social Framework (ESF) or the Environmental Safeguard Policies. Two-thirds of the unit’s staff are based in Asia and the remaining in Washington, D.C.

The Junior Professional Officer will report to the SEAE2 Practice Manager, based in Sydney.

### **DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES**

- Carry out in depth economic analysis and lead and contribute to analytical and advisory services on climate, environmental and natural resource management issues in South-east Asia.

- Lead and contribute to cost-benefit analysis for investment operations on climate, environmental and natural resource management.
- Support preparation and implementation of environment or natural resources World Bank lending operations including participation in preparation and supervision missions.
- Support environment, climate and natural resource policy dialog with the government and other stakeholders related to the Bank's portfolio.
- Lead and contribute to knowledge sharing, learning, dissemination, and awareness raising activities.
- Lead and contribute to preparation of briefings, presentations, undertake research for analytical studies, and develop short notes/reports.

### **SELECTION CRITERIA**

- Advanced degree (PhD or Masters) in economics, environment or natural resource economics, agricultural economics or equivalent is required.
- Excellent quantitative skills required including training in econometrics/statistics. Training and/or experience with macroeconomic modelling would be an advantage.
- At least three years of experience as a professional economist working on topics related to climate, environment and/or natural resource management.
- Strong analytical, organizational, research, writing and oral presentation skills.
- Proven track record in delivering high quality and technically sophisticated analytical work.
- Computer skills: proficiency in MS Excel and MS Office applications as well experience with relevant statistical/modelling software.
- Proven ability to work in a team and intercultural environment with minimal supervision.
- Hands-on and action-oriented approach.
- Excellent oral and written communication skills in English.
- Enthusiasm for, and commitment to development work.
- Willing to travel to remote areas in East Asia as well as to Washington, D.C Headquarters.
- Field experience in developing countries a plus.