Job Opportunity in Bonn, Germany
Join ICLEI – Local Governments for Sustainability

ICLEI – Local Governments for Sustainability is a global network of more than 1,750 local and regional governments committed to sustainable urban development. Active in 100+ countries, we influence sustainability policy and drive local action for low emission, nature-based, equitable, resilient and circular development. Our Members and team of experts work together through peer exchange, partnerships and capacity building to create systemic change for urban sustainability.

To support the Circular Development team we are offering the following position:

**Officer, Circular Development**

The successful candidate will be a part of the international ICLEI World Secretariat team based in Bonn, Germany and will be placed within the Circular Development team.

ICLEI has identified Circular Development as one of its five integrated pathways towards sustainable urban development, and promotes sustainable urban ecosystems where material loops are closed, and the value of resources is efficiently maximized by applying the circular approach - Redesign, Reuse, Repair, Remanufacture, Recycle and Recover.

**Tasks:**
- Acting as officer to engage in the strategic and operational implementation of projects in the Circular Development Team with a focus on China relations including the Urban Transitions Alliance for industrial legacy cities, CLEVER Cities and the Green Circular Cities Coalition;
- Coordinating the activities of the Urban Transition Alliance Secretariat with a special focus on the management of relations with the Chinese member cities of the Alliance network in coordination with the ICLEI East Asia Secretariat;
- Developing collaboration concepts and work plans in line with the Urban Transitions Alliance project objectives;
- Coordinating the identification and support for annual Challenges by the Urban Transition Alliance member cities particularly those located in China including research on their needs and requirements;
- Engaging with the Chinese member cities and local partners by facilitation of calls and webinars as well as development of strategies for their effective engagement;
- Assisting the development of network activities for Chinese cities to support the cities in analyzing their circularity, acting on being circular, and accelerating and up-scaling the circular transition;
- Research, content development and acquisition in the field of circular development with a focus on equity and social inclusion;
- Developing knowledge products and communications assets such as case studies, blog posts, news items;
- Supporting events planning and organization, including moderation and discussion facilitation.

**Requirements:**
- Minimum 2 years of experience, including relevant internships, working with circular economy, resource efficiency and inclusive governance issues, ideally with an understanding of the role of local and regional governments in transition to sustainability;
- Experience working with non-for-profit and/or membership organizations is highly desirable;
- Master or equivalent degree in sustainability, urban studies or other relevant field;
• Languages: **High proficiency in oral / written English and Mandarin**;
• Strong experience in project design and implementation of international projects;
• Proactive communication manner and collaborative working style;
• Event management and moderation experience desirable;
• Good communications and writing skills;
• Quick learner and multi-tasking skills.

**Terms and conditions:**
• The position will be available **as soon as possible, latest as of 1 September 2020** with a contract duration until 31 August 2021 with possibility of extension;
• The Officer reports directly to the Head of Circular Development;
• Three month probation period;
• The employment contract will be subject to German law;
• Salary: 34,653 – 37,618 EUR (full time) before tax and social insurance fees, with the final salary to be determined based on the chosen applicant’s skills and experience;
• Working hours: 30 (part time) to 40 per week (full time) negotiable;
• Paid leave: 30 days per year (full time);
• Working language: English;
• Due to legal requirements, applicants must be eligible to obtain the appropriate work permit for Germany prior to the start of the position.

**Application:**
By email to careers.bonn@iclei.org. Please include **“Officer, Circular Development”** in the subject line and send us:
• Letter of motivation, recent CV, employment certificates, all this merged into one single pdf. of up to 5 MB size;
• Indication of citizenship; if non-EU, whether applicant is holder of a work permit for Germany;
• Indication of possible start date;
• Indication of interest in full time or part time position;
• For data protection information please refer to the disclaimer and privacy policy on our website.

**Equal Opportunity and Employment Policy**
ICLEI World Secretariat’s hiring policy is geared to ensure that the organization hires employees without regard to their race, color, religion, national origin, citizenship, age, gender, marital status, socio-economic background or sexual orientation. ICLEI’s policy is that applicants for employment and career progression are considered solely on the basis of their relevant qualifications and competencies.

**Please note that applications received after the deadline cannot be considered.**
In order to support the evaluation via interview, shortlisted candidates might be required to undergo a written test relevant to the job content prior to the interview.
Kindly note, that applications are reviewed continuously upon arrival, therefore submitting your application as soon as possible is advisable.
The ICLEI World Secretariat shall only contact those applicants shortlisted for this position.

**Application Deadline: 22 July 2020**

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