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Job Holder

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Job Profile

Position

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Job title

Policy Officer - Energy cooperation in the Gulf region

Domains

Generic domain
EU NEIGHBOURHOOD
Intermediate domain
INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS (generic)
Specific domain
Sensitive job
No

Overall purpose

Policy officer at the EU Delegation in the United Arab Emirates in charge of sustainable energy cooperation in the Gulf region, working at policy level, in the trade and other policies section of the Delegation, in coordination and under the authority of the Head of Delegation. The official will support the acceleration of clean energy transition as well as the development of Global Gateway Flagship projects in the Gulf region, with a view to developing new clean energy partnerships and new sustainable energy corridors (i.e.: hydrogen, renewables) with the EU and its Southern Neighborhood. To this effect, the policy officer will in particular identify, and pursue, possible concrete projects that can be implemented in collaboration with the Gulf states. In collaboration with the CLIMA/ENER mixed post, aim at better integrating the Gulf region with the EU and its Southern Neighborhood thanks to better alignment of EU Energy and Neighbourhood Policies in the Middle East and North Africa (MENA) region. Establish contacts with relevant Ministries, civil society organisations and stakeholders, work closely with EU Member States' embassies and international & regional organisations and act in close cooperation with Headquarters. Defend and promote the interests of the EU and promote the Green Deal, including via existing regional projects that promote bilateral and regional cooperation with the Gulf Countries as well as cooperation for investments in clean energy in the Middle East and North Africa (MENA) region.

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Functions and duties

+ POLICY

- Support the development of formal and informal contacts and networks with non-State
 interlocutors involved in promoting clean energy transition, financial institutions (both
 bilateral and regional) and relevant organisations (incl. IRENA) and seek to identify avenues
 to promote closer cooperation and partnerships with the Gulf Countries, including through
 business-to-business dialogue, namely via the existing regional projects including by
 providing guidance and supervision.
- Contribute to the energy policy dialogue with all relevant ministries, agencies, donors and other relevant stakeholders in the Gulf region.
- Contribute to the energy sector analysis and to the definition of an energy sector strategy for the European Commission including on Renewable Energy, Hydrogen, CCUS, and with a particular focus on development cooperation and joint investment opportunities in MENA or other neighboring regions
- Gather information and intelligence to assist Headquarters preparing for related dialogues and joint committees, and produce regular notes and reports on specific energy issues, including on Headquarters' request
- Contribute to the identification, design and implementation of bilateral or regional initiatives, in the field of clean energy transition and cooperation with EU and its Southern Neighborhood.
- Contribute to Global Gateway Flagship projects and other initiatives in other areas with pertinent suggestions from the perspective of accelerating clean energy transition and develop new sustainable energy corridors.

+ PROGRAM / PROCESS / PROJECT MANAGEMENT

- Act as a key focal point for energy issues in the Gulf region, being in charge of following energy policy discussions at European and international level.
- Identify opportunities for collaborative action in the context of global gateway and repowerEU, and, to this effect, initiate concrete sustainable energy initiatives with lead DGs and in close coordination with the relevant EU Delegations, namely in the Southern Neighbourhood but also alternatively in other neighboring regions (to the GCC).
- Monitor the implementation of relevant ongoing projects related to Global Gateway, attend
 management and monitoring meetings, elaborate progress reports on projects and propose
 remedial action if and when needed.
- Ensure the follow-up of the implementation of projects and the performance of project managers and partners, monitor contractual obligations (via periodic reviews, audits, reporting and assistance, etc.) and coordinate external expertise.

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+ REPRESENTATION, NEGOTIATION and PARTICIPATION

- Maintain good and effective contacts with the relevant national, regional and local authorities, industry, financial institutions (both bilateral and regional), think tanks and nongovernmental organisations. As necessary, represent DG NEAR in official events, seminars, conferences, working groups, meetings.
- Present EU energy and neighbourhood policies, legislation and activities to wider public, including media, academics, civil society organisations/NGOs and the private sector.
- Help design / contribute to, and implement outreach activities to raise awareness and understanding of EU policies, achievements and positions on energy matters, making the case for a clean energy transition.
- Support the policy dialogue on energy with the Gulf countries and enhancement of EU-GCC cooperation on clean energy transition and energy security, monitor and report on bilateral or regional initiatives on energy. Maintain regular contacts with the Ministries of Energy in the Gulf region, as well as energy regulators and sector stakeholders (including the business sector and civil society).
- Develop formal and informal contacts and networks with both governmental and nongovernmental interlocutors involved in promoting clean energy transition and seek to identify avenues to promote business-to-business dialogue on energy cooperation.
- Monitor and report on key developments in the energy cooperation between Gulf Countries and third countries. Coordinate with other sections/EU organisations on work related to energy.

+ INTERNAL COMMUNICATION (general)

 Provide support to missions and visits of the Commissioner and of officials of DG NEAR at all levels.

Job requirements

Experience"

+ POLICY ANALYSIS

Job-Related experience:at least 3 years

Qualifier:desirable

+ INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION and DEVELOPMENT

Job-Related experience:at least 2 years

Qualifier:an advantage

+ ENERGY POLICIES and TECHNOLOGIES

Job-Related experience:at least 5 years

Qualifier:desirable

Solid experience in international affairs and coordination work.

Languages

	Listening	Reading	Spoken interaction	Spoken production	Writing
English	C2	C2	C2	C2	C2

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Knowledge

ENERGY POLICIES and TECHNOLOGIES

RENEWABLE ENERGY

• INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS (generic)

EU NEIGHBOURHOOD

European Neighbourhood Policy

EXTERNAL RELATIONS

EU External Assistance policies

EU External Assistance instruments

EU FOREIGN RELATIONS (excl Security and Defence)

Competences

- Analysing and Problem Solving
- Communicating

Ability to communicate in meetings

Ability to understand and be understood

Negotiation skills

• Delivering Quality and Results

Ability to work in a proactive and autonomous way

Prioritising and Organising

Capacity to deliver in a structured way

Planning capacity

Working with Others

Ability to work in a team

Knowledge sharing

Job Environment

Organisational entity

Presentation of the entity:
Job related issues
 [] Atypical working hours [] Specialised Job Missions [] Frequent, i.e. 2 or more missions / month [] Long duration, i.e. missions lasting more than a week
Comments:

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Workplace, health & safety related issues
 [] Noisy environment [] Physical effort / materials handling [] Work with chemicals / biological materials [] Radioprotection area [] Use of personal protective equipment [] Other Comments:
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Other
Comments:

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