

Call for Climate Investment Funds Youth Fellowship 2023

Location: Bangkok, Thailand

The Climate Investment Funds (CIF) has created the CIF Youth Climate Fellowship in partnership with Multilateral Development Bank (MDB) partners to give young climate leaders the opportunity to work with projects co-financed by the CIF in their country of residence. The one-year fellowship gives candidates the opportunity to work with CIF's frontier climate finance and with the partner MDBs on climate action programs in areas such as nature-based solutions, clean energy, adaptation and climate resilience, climate finance, and gender and social inclusion.

What Is this CIF Youth Fellowship About?

- **Location:** Bangkok, Thailand (East and South Asia and Pacific)
- **Thematic areas:** Climate Resilience, Sustainable Land Use Practices and Clean Energy
- **Hosting MDB:** Asian Development Bank
- **Project:** Greater Mekong Subregion (GMS) Climate Change and Environmental Sustainability Program
- **Number of Fellows:** 2 Fellows

The Asian Development Bank has approved a knowledge and support technical assistance (KSTA) called "Greater Mekong Subregion Climate Change and Environment Sustainability Program" to assist countries in achieving Sustainable Development Goals related to climate action and biodiversity. The KSTA aims to promote the development of "green and climate-friendly" projects and has three outputs: enhancing climate resilience, promoting climate-smart landscapes, and demonstrating green technologies and financing instruments. Additionally, the KSTA will provide targeted support to GMS countries in assessing opportunities for involving youth in climate action.

The two Fellows will assist the team on the GMS Climate Change and Environmental Sustainability Program project, which will include implementation support. We expect the selected Fellow/s to be involved in the following tasks (but not limited to):

- Assess opportunities for youth involvement in climate actions in the Greater Mekong Subregion (GMS).
- Support discussions and decision-making processes related to youth involvement in climate action in GMS countries.

- Help to identify key youth and children's organizations in GMS countries for engagement in climate projects related to COVID-19 recovery.
- Prioritize educational and outreach material for young audiences to enable their effective participation in climate action in GMS countries.
- Help to promote collaboration between GMS youth organizations and private sector for capacity-building, youth exchanges, and competitions on climate actions, enhance awareness on climate innovations, identify volunteers and young resource persons, prepare knowledge products to showcase lessons learned, and strengthen capacity of youth organizations to implement COVID-19 and gender-responsive climate actions in Cambodia, Lao PDR, Thailand, and Viet Nam while ensuring coordination with relevant national institutions and ministries.

How Will this CIF Youth Fellowship Work?

- **Duration and time commitment:** One-year program starting from September 1, 2023, to August 31, 2024, with the possibility of adjustment. You might be assigned to work on a part-time or full-time basis, depending on the requirements of the respective MDB as well as any higher education commitments you might have.
- **Location:** You will be based in Thailand Resident Mission, Bangkok. Travel within Thailand may also be required.
- **Entitlement:** You will be provided a suitable stipend, taking into account the Purchasing Power Parity of the country, and in-kind logistical support such as staff time for mentoring and office space.
- **Coordination:** You will be onboarded with a Work and Learning plan and assigned mentors who will organize routine check-ins and serve as the go-to person for questions, minor grievances, and coordinating the Work Plan. As part of the Learning Plan, CIF will hold several in-person and virtual training sessions and technical workshops, and support for research and publication of knowledge products, and opportunities for cross-learning with other CIF programs and initiatives.

Who Are We Looking For?

- **Age:** Between 18 and 28 years of age during the time of application.
- **Number of Fellows:** two fellows
- **Residence and work authorization permit:** You must be a resident in Thailand and have a valid work permit.
- **Qualifications:** You must hold an undergraduate or graduate degree in engineering, economics, finance, public policy, environmental sciences or similar

with relevant experience or course work in areas of CIF's work such as climate finance, clean energy or climate change.

- **Availability:** You should be available to work on the Fellowship between 16 hours (part time) to 40 hours (full time) per week.
- **Language:** You must be fluent and have good writing skills in English as well as in the native language of the country where you reside.
- **Profile:** You must have (i) demonstrated passion for a thematic area relevant to the Fellowship (adaptation and climate resilience, clean energy, energy access, nature-based solution, gender and social inclusion and other core cross-cutting themes); (ii) interest in engaging and mobilizing stakeholders for climate action; and (iii) experience working with a diversity of stakeholders.
- **General competencies:** You must be proficient in basic computer programs, adaptable to varying tasks and prioritize them, able to provide professional support to senior staff, and possess strong interpersonal skills to build relationships both within and outside the organization.
- **Assignment-specific skills and knowledge:** You should possess (i) experience with local and/or civil society organizations, youth groups, and multilateral development organizations; (ii) strong research and analytical skills in working with databases; (iii) experience with Youth for Asia (YfA) or similar organizations; and (iv) excellent communication skills, including report writing and media articles

How To Apply

Apply through the Fellowship Application Form, click [HERE](#) or use this link:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/cifyouthfellowship>

Deadline: July 7, 2023, 11:59 p.m. Eastern Time

The application process will include stating your interests, experience and motivation, and submitting a resume. Only shortlisted candidates will be invited to a set of interviews to demonstrate their passion, intention, and general fit for the Program. The jury will comprise representatives from the six partners MDBs and CIF program leads. Additionally, the candidates might be asked to share references.

Who We Are

The Climate Investment Funds

The Climate Investment Funds (CIF) was established in 2008 to mobilize resources and trigger investments for low carbon, climate resilient development in select middle- and low-income countries. CIF has 14 contributor countries that have pledged over US\$11 billion to the funds. To date CIF committed capital has generated an additional US\$62 billion in co-financing for mitigation and adaptation interventions at an unprecedented scale in 72 recipient countries. CIF's large-scale, low-cost, long-term financing lowers the risk and cost of climate financing. It tests new business models, builds track records in unproven markets, and boosts investor confidence to unlock additional sources of finance. The CIF is one of the largest active climate finance mechanisms in the world.

Asian Development Bank

Asian Development Bank (ADB) is an international development finance institution headquartered in Manila, Philippines. ADB is composed of 68 members, 49 of which are from the Asia and Pacific region. The Bank is committed to achieving a prosperous, inclusive, resilient, and sustainable Asia and the Pacific, while sustaining its efforts to eradicate extreme poverty. ADB combines finance, knowledge, and partnerships to fulfil its expanded vision under its Strategy 2030.



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