

JOB DESCRIPTION

Water Research Analyst

Organisation	AMPERES Vietnam
Title/Role	Water Research Analyst
Reporting to	Senior Manager and Director
Duty Station	Ho Chi Minh City, Viet Nam
Duration of contract	12 months, with the option for extension
Conditions of contract	Full time Vietnamese national

About AMPERES

AMPERES is a mission-driven enterprise committed to finding integrated solutions for the entrenched sustainability challenges facing Southeast Asia, Australia and the Pacific. With offices in Ho Chi Minh City and Perth, we use evidence-bases, deliberative processes and innovative technology to improve how society interacts with the environment.

- We support governments to improve the sustainability of policy and planning processes through implementation of energy transition planning, climate risk & adaptation assessments, Strategic Environmental Assessments (SEAs), integrated environmental assessments, river basin plans, water, energy and economic modelling and techno-economic studies.
- We empower communities to improve livelihoods through affordable and reliable access to distributed energy & water resources using business models that are viable and centre benefits at the community level.
- We work with companies & industry to decarbonise their business, promote energy independence and reduce operating costs through energy efficiency planning and the development of distributed renewable energy systems.
- We collaborate with researchers & universities to prototype, test & scale innovative technology towards successful commercialisation.

The Role

AMPERES is implementing multiple programs in climate change, water and energy that cover water scarcity management, impacts of hydropower development, climate resilient flood management, renewable energy transition, distributed renewable microgrids, community energy and water/energy policy reform.

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Our work is organised into three main programs: integrated water, environmental resilience and energy transition. These programs span the Asia-Pacific region with particular emphasis on the Greater Mekong Sub-region (GMS)¹.

We are recruiting a Vietnamese water analyst who will be based at our Ho Chi Minh office and can support our integrated water programs undertaking research and coordinating project activities.

Who you are

You are an early or mid-career water professional with a degree in engineer, science or economics, motivated by a passion to improve equity of access to water and to understand the role water plays in environmental and social systems.

You will have initiative, a keen interest to self-lead your own professional development and a demonstrated capacity to learn quickly and possess the following specific skills and experience:

- An enthusiastic water resources professional who has a science, engineering or economics degree in a field related to water resources management (Bachelor or higher).
- An inquisitive problem-solver ethically committed to sustainability
- An interest to communicate scientific analysis to non-specialist audiences and influence public debate around water issues.
- A proven track record in academic research.
- Very strong qualitative and analytic skills; keen attention to detail and data accuracy.
- Strong writing ability, and report writing skills in both English and Vietnamese.
- Minimum 4 years in professional work experience or an advanced degree (MSc/PhD).
- Some experience working on water issues in the river basins of GMS.
- Basic familiarity with GIS software and data management.
- Ability to work under tight deadlines, juggling multiple competing tasks and prioritizing demands.
- Strong interpersonal skills and an ability to work professionally with researchers, as well as government stakeholders.
- Team player and capacity for flexibility as tasks and priorities shift.
- Ability to self-start and troubleshoot; demonstrated ability to excel in a multicultural environment.
- Approaches work with a professional, positive and constructive attitude, even when under pressure and willing to use logic to challenge prevailing attitudes.
- Responds positively to critical feedback and differing points of views.
- Vietnamese citizen living in Ho Chi Minh City or willing to move there.

Preferred

- Experience publishing scientific papers in peer-reviewed journals.
- Experience in statistical analysis and programming
- Advanced degree (MSc/PhD) in a field related to water resources management.

Responsibilities

Research and analysis

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¹ The Greater Mekong Subregion includes Cambodia, Lao PDR, Myanmar, Thailand, Vietnam and Yunnan Province (PRC).

- Contribution to the delivery of research programs
- Synthesising literature reviews and background research into concise documents.
- Use of GIS to undertake geospatial analysis.
- · Conduct interviews with experts and stakeholders.
- Drafting of technical reports and scientific publications.
- Responding to reviewer comments.

Project delivery and coordination

- Coordinate inputs and workplans for multi-disciplinary teams
- Support project manager in monitoring project implementation and reporting to AMPERES Executive and clients.
- Assist in the organisation of meetings, workshops and conferences.

Communications and stakeholder engagement

- Assist in the development of presentations and communications materials that convert research findings into targeted stakeholder messages
- Drafting or press releases and newspaper articles publicising the findings of our water program.

Additional information

The position is a full-time position based in our Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam office. We offer a competitive salary commensurate to your proven level of expertise, social security benefits under Vietnamese law, private health insurance and financial support for professional development of each employee.

How to apply

Eligible candidates should submit:

- cover letter, outlining why you are interested in the position, what are the main skills you bring to AMPERES and highlighting work you have done that meets the requirements;
- (ii) your professional CV emphasising your project experience;
- (iii) example piece of writing (paper, report or similar) please identify the specific contribution you made in your cover letter

All submissions should be sent to info@amperes.com.au by 5th August 2023.

Please note that while we greatly appreciate the effort from all candidates in submitting an application, only shortlisted candidates will be contacted.

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