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To fill a vacancy of a project-based assignment we are searching a qualified

Junior Consultant / Expert

Location:	home based / Bonn / Brussels
Assignment Period:	1 st quarter of 2023 until the end of December 2025 (with an average of approx. 150 working days per year)
Project:	European Commission's Switch to Green Facility

The Project

sequa is supporting a consortium implementing the *Switch to Green Facility* (<https://www.switchtogreen.eu/switch-to-green-facility/>) which started early 2020 and is based in Brussels.

Managed by the European Commission DG INTPA Unit F2, the *SWITCH to Green Facility* delivers a set of tools and services supporting the overall coherence, coordination, effectiveness, impact and visibility of EU international partnerships in the green, notably circular, economy.

Support can be channelled through Commission services, EU Delegations, and development partners. The Facility comprises a team of four key experts and a number of specialised senior and junior non-key experts.

Contributing directly to the EU Green Deal, the *SWITCH to Green Facility* supports the implementation of EU development policy, in line with the European Consensus on Development. It promotes the circular economy transition in partner countries and across the 17 SDGs.

The Tasks

Contributing to the objectives of the *SWITCH to Green and Water Facility*, the **Junior Consultant/Expert** shall provide outputs related with support to the provision of technical assistance by the Facility key experts in the following areas:

- Programming
- Policy dialogue and coordination
- Communication and outreach
- Action identification, formulation, delivery (incl. M&E)
- Capacity, knowledge and policy development

The Junior Consultant/Expert is expected to also assist the Facility Team leader in project management and coordination related tasks, indicatively including the organisation of project Steering Committee meetings, coordination meetings with other DG INTPA Facilities, and coordination with the Facility's non-key experts.

Job Announcement



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Depending on the individual situation there are two options: you might either be employed by sequa during the entire assignment period or be contracted by sequa as a freelancer with a framework contract.

Place of work might be Bonn, Brussels or fully home based. Regular in person meetings at the *SWITCH to Green Facility* office in Brussels will take place.

Qualification and Skills

- A University degree in Environment, Planning, Economy, or related fields. A post-graduate degree in similar fields will be considered as an asset.
- Knowledge of circular (and more broadly green) economy / sustainable consumption and production, notably topics related with SDGs 8, 9 and 12;
- Excellent computer skills, notably in the use of MS Office programs (Word, Excel, Powerpoint, etc.) and web conference platforms and tools (Webex, Zoom, MS TEAMS, etc.)
- Fluency in English. Knowledge of French and/or Spanish will constitute an advantage.

Professional Experience

- At least 3 years of professional experience in the areas of green/circular economy and private sector development;
- Experience in the field of international cooperation and development will be an advantage.
- Involvement in previous assignments for the European Commission Directorate General for International Partnerships (DG INTPA) will be considered an asset.
- Knowledge of the Agenda 2030 for Sustainable Development (SDGs) and international development policy processes in the field of the green/circular economy (e.g. implementation of the 2020 EU Circular Economy Action Plan) is a must;
- Experience with project management and/or part of a project management team, especially of projects within a development cooperation context will be considered an asset.

Subject to comparable qualification handicapped persons will be preferred.

For further inquiries please contact Annette von Blanckenburg (annette.blanckenburg@sequa.de).

Please send your application including a cover letter, your CV in the EuropeAid format, relevant resumes, and your salary or fee expectation, respectively, to manuela.borkenhagen@sequa.de **by no later than January 31, 2023.**