



RENEWABLES FIRST

China Engagement Lead/Coordinator

Location: Islamabad, Pakistan

About Renewables First:

Renewables First (RF) is a think tank for energy and the environment. Our work addresses critical energy and natural resource issues to make energy and climate transitions just and inclusive.

As Pakistan's only dedicated energy transition think-- and do-tank, Renewables First's uniqueness lies in our approach to driving the energy transition. By emphasizing inclusivity and immediate action, we are positioned to drive change that is both sustainable and equitable. By leveraging partnerships and data-driven research, we identify, promote, advocate, and communicate evidence-based, viable solutions that are tailored to the needs of the country. Our young and passionate team is brimming with enthusiasm and ideas on ensuring the energy transition for them and their future generations.

In the backdrop of China's substantial \$21 billion investment in Pakistan's power sector through the CPEC, there's a noticeable tilt towards coal accounting for 80% of the power sector investments. Yet, with China's leading global renewable deployment and President Xi's coal moratorium commitment, a visible tilt towards renewable energy is materializing. An ideal candidate for this role will deploy her/his efforts to accelerate this trend and catalyze increased Chinese investment in Pakistan's renewable energy, aligning with both nations' shared vision for a sustainable energy trajectory.

On our journey to engage with Chinese stakeholders and engage with them on Renewable Energy deployment, we are seeking a China Engagement Lead/Coordinator to join us.

Job Description:

We are seeking a renewable energy specialist with a dedicated focus on China. The resource will work towards intensifying renewable energy development efforts in Pakistan by strengthening partnerships with Chinese stakeholders, diverting Chinese investment from coal to clean energy, and leading research initiatives through the China program at Renewables First.

Additionally, the candidate will be proficient with data and research methods to collaborate with the research and data teams in developing insightful analysis, data visualizations, and dashboards to enable data-driven engagement with key stakeholders.

Key Responsibilities:

- Led and manage a dedicated RE developers' forum with key stakeholders for renewable energy in Pakistan and establish and spearhead the Chinese unit within the forum, ensuring active participation and engagement of Chinese stakeholders.
- Expand the organization's outreach to prominent Chinese think tanks and CSOs operating in the renewable energy sector while cultivating strategic partnerships focused on renewable energy development programs in Pakistan.
- Undertake research projects pertinent to the China-Pakistan renewable energy landscape.
- Analyze trends, challenges, and opportunities to inform organizational strategy and stakeholder interventions.



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- Drive the overarching objective of transitioning Chinese investment from coal projects to clean, renewable energy.
- Foster an environment of collaboration through dialogues, online webinars, and other forums to pinpoint and act on new areas of intervention.
- Develop and maintain strong relationships with Chinese and Pakistani renewable energy stakeholders.
- Organize and lead sessions to share findings, discuss potential collaborative initiatives, and set future directions.

Qualifications:

- Minimum of 2 years experience in renewable energy, energy policy, or international cooperation.
- At least a Bachelor's degree (Preferably a Master's) in a relevant field such as International Relations, Energy Management, or Public Policy. This foundational degree should provide the strategist with an understanding of the political, environmental, and economic factors influencing energy decisions.
- Demonstrated experience in stakeholder engagement, partnership building, or forum management.
- Proven track record of successfully leading teams and managing large-scale projects.
- Experience with or understanding of the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) initiatives and dynamics would be beneficial.
- Familiarity with renewable energy technologies and market trends and ability to analyze energy data, market trends, and research reports to inform strategies.
- Strong networking abilities and experience working with diverse groups, including policymakers, investors, and industry professionals.
- Ability to articulate and present complex information clearly and engagingly to various stakeholders.
- Exceptional communication skills, both written and oral, in English. **Proficiency in Mandarin would be a significant advantage.**
- Excellent communication and collaboration abilities.

We Offer:

- o Competitive compensation.
- o Personal and professional growth.
- o Collaborative, diverse, and supportive environment.
- o Flat hierarchy and active involvement in national policies.
- o Flexible work arrangements.
- o Comprehensive HR policies including health insurance.

Application:

If you would like to become a part of our dynamic team, apply at your earliest. The last date to apply for this position is October 31, 2023. We process applications on a rolling basis.

Female candidates are strongly encouraged to apply.

Please Email a letter of motivation, along with your CV in one PDF document and use the following format for the file name, "First name_Last name_Job Title" to hr@renewablesfirst.com.pk

Email Subject: Pak - China 2023