



FOR IMMEDIATE HIRING

Legal Expert on Energy

The Institute for Climate and Sustainable Cities (ICSC) is seeking applicants for the position of **Legal Expert on Energy**. The Legal Expert will be based at ICSC's main office in Quezon City. Majority of ICSC staff work remotely, with occasional in-person engagements in the main office as needed.

ICSC values diversity and is an equal-opportunity employer. Should you possess the desired qualifications, please email the following documents to jobs@icsc.ngo with the subject line "**Application: Legal Expert on Energy, [Full name]**" on or before **October 14, 2024**:

- Letter of Intent (addressed to Mr. Romil Hernandez, ICSC's Director for Energy Policy)
- Resume (do not attach photos)

ABOUT THE ORGANIZATION

ICSC is an international non-government group advancing fair climate policy and low-carbon, climate-resilient development. Based in the Philippines, it is engaged with the wider international climate and energy policy arena, particularly in Asia. It is recognized for its role in helping advance effective global climate action and the Paris Climate Agreement.

ICSC has a mission to support accelerating the energy transition in the Philippines by tackling policy, regulatory, and financial barriers to renewable power generation and utilization. One area of work is analyzing the power procurement strategies of the distribution utilities in the country.

TERMS OF REFERENCE

ICSC is conducting a study analyzing power procurement strategies. The report aims to evaluate the power procurement strategies of distribution utilities and examine the factors contributing to higher generation rates. To complement this initial study, a legal expert is needed *to conduct comprehensive research on the legal and regulatory framework governing power procurement in the Philippines*. The legal expert will work together with the energy policy team to supplement the power procurement study.

A. Responsibilities

- Provide an overview of policies and regulations relevant to the power procurement process of distribution utilities (DUs) in the Philippines.
- Review the procurement strategies of DUs and identify if the current strategies adopted by DUs are compliant with existing policies and regulations.
- Identify cases of best practice by DUs in power procurement
- Determine the current gaps in policy and legal processes preventing DUs from implementing and/or adopting a sustainable power procurement strategy.
- Provide recommendations on legal and regulatory reforms on power procurement to ensure that once adopted by each distribution utility will lead to lower electricity prices.
- Provide legal analysis and recommendations on legislative changes, proposed regulations, and their potential impact on EPT's policy work
- Conduct legal research and write reports on emerging energy issues as requested by the Energy Policy Team
- Regularly coordinate with ICSC Energy Policy Team in the delivery of required outputs

B. Qualifications

- A law degree or an advanced degree in a related field
- At least 5 years of working in the energy sector and proficiency in understanding the power procurement process and energy-related projects is desirable
- Knowledge of government regulations and policies, including those governing Competitive Selection Processes (CSPs), Power Supply Agreements (PSAs), and Power Supply Procurement Plans (PSPPs)