

VACANCY DESCRIPTION

Position: Senior Economic Advisor (Band 5T)

Duty Station: Windhoek

Reporting Line: SDGI Programme Manager

Contract Duration: Fixed-term contract: 01.06.2026 – 30.11.2027

Closing Date: 08 May 2026

1. Organisation & Project Background

The **Sustainable Development Goals Initiative III (SDGI III)** is a joint technical cooperation project between the Governments of Namibia and Germany, implemented by **Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) GmbH**. The project supports Namibia in achieving the objectives of **Agenda 2030** by strengthening national systems for planning, financing, and monitoring sustainable development priorities.

SDGI III provides technical support to the **National Planning Commission (NPC)**, the **Ministry of Finance (MoF)**, the **Namibia Statistics Agency (NSA)**, and other stakeholders across three strategic outputs:

- Institutional capacity strengthening for coherent and impact-oriented implementation
- Mobilisation and optimisation of sustainable development financing
- Strengthening data systems for planning, monitoring, and steering implementation aligned to NDP 6

The position is embedded within SDGI III and provides advisory services primarily to the **NPC and MoF**, supporting the implementation of **Namibia's 6th National Development Plan (NDP 6)** and alignment with **Vision 2030, Agenda 2030, and AU Agenda 2063**.

2. Purpose of the Position

The Senior Economic Advisor provides high-level technical and strategic advisory support to the **National Planning Commission and Ministry of Finance** to strengthen economic planning, public finance management, and development financing frameworks.

The role contributes to improving policy coherence, enhancing sustainable financing strategies, and ensuring that macroeconomic and fiscal decision-making is evidence-based, forward-looking, and aligned with national development priorities.

3. Key Responsibilities

3.1 Strategic Economic & Policy Advisory

- Provide technical advice to senior leadership within NPC and MoF on macroeconomic, fiscal, and development finance policies.
- Support the integration of economic analysis into national planning, budgeting, and policy formulation processes.
- Contribute to the development and refinement of economic and policy frameworks that support inclusive growth, employment creation, and social development.

3.2 Development Financing & NDP 6 Support

- Support the identification and assessment of funding modalities for NDP 6, including modelling and impact analysis.
- Conduct economic and fiscal analysis to assess multiplier effects of public investments.
- Support alignment of national financing strategies with Agenda 2030 and AU Agenda 2063 commitments.

3.3 Institutional Capacity Strengthening

- Support sustainably embedded capacity development within NPC and MoF through mentoring, peer learning, and communities of practice.
- Strengthen institutional use of evidence-based economic analysis in decision-making processes.
- Support coordination and operational cooperation between NPC, MoF, and key partner institutions.

3.4 Stakeholder Coordination & Policy Dialogue

- Support coordination of national-level working groups responsible for steering implementation of development priorities.
- Facilitate policy dialogue with public institutions, development partners, private sector, and academia at national and international levels.
- Support mainstreaming of SDGs 5, 10, 13, and 17 into national planning and budgeting processes.

3.5 Knowledge Management & Reporting

- Prepare high-level briefs, reports, presentations, and policy notes for senior government officials.
- Contribute to national reports and strategic documents related to economic planning and development finance.
- Monitor international economic trends and document relevant practices applicable to Namibia's context.
- Support development of guidelines, technical concepts, and operational tools for economic planning and budgeting.

3.6 Other Duties

- Perform additional tasks as requested by NPC, MoF, and SDGI management within the scope of the assignment.

4. Required Qualifications & Experience

4.1 Formal Education

- Master's Degree or equivalent in **Macroeconomics, Fiscal Policy, Economics, Development Finance**, or a closely related field.

4.2 Professional Experience

- Minimum **8 years' experience** in macroeconomics or development economics at national or international level.
- Demonstrated experience in policy formulation within complex and fast-paced development environments.
- Strong background in fiscal and macroeconomic policy, public finance, inclusive growth, poverty reduction, and sustainable development.

- Proven ability to conduct high-quality quantitative and economic analysis, including statistical modelling.
- Experience in preparing policy briefs, analytical reports, and advisory inputs for senior decision-makers.

4.3 Additional Competencies

- Strong analytical, conceptual, and problem-solving skills.
 - Excellent written and verbal communication skills in English (local languages are an advantage).
 - Ability to build and sustain partnerships across government, development partners, private sector, and academia.
 - Strong results orientation, strategic thinking, and judgement.
 - Willingness to continuously upskill in line with job requirements.
 - Very good working knowledge of ICT tools and MS Office applications.
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5. Application Procedure

Interested candidates must apply via:

https://jobopportunities.net/jobs_search.aspx

Only shortlisted candidates will be contacted.

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