







The **Regional Challenge Fund for the Western Balkan 6** economies aims to increase the employability of vocational education and training (VET) students by reinforcing a dual training approach. The funding of projects put forward by consortia between vocational training providers and companies will be allocated based on a competitive selection process. It is financed by BMZ and co-financed by SDC via KfW and implemented by the Chamber Investment Forum (CIF). The CIF has charged a consortium led by IPC GmbH and PLANCO Consulting, supported by swisscontact and KPMG Bulgaria, with the management of the project.

For the project team we are looking for a:

National/Regional Technical Expert for mechanical engineering and metal processing equipment/supply for VET schools (f/m/d).

Your tasks

- You will conduct site visits to VET schools to discuss the equipment needs put forward by the school and assess those needs
- You will write technical specifications for the procurement documents
- You will monitor the delivery, installation and proper use of equipment
- The position is part time; the precise number of working days will depend on the number of schools in need of support and their activity and investment plans

About the project

- The objective of the project is to increase youth employability and boosting the competitiveness of enterprises in the project countries mentioned above
- Consortia of VET providers and companies apply to get funding for their dual or vocational programmes; this funding includes financing of equipment for VET providers

Requirements

- You have 10+ years of working experience in assessing and specifying equipment and supply for VET schools in Albania, Bosnia & Herzegovina, Kosovo, Montenegro, North Macedonia or Serbia
- You have experience in similar assignments and in assessing the suitability of equipment for VET schools and writing technical specifications in mechanical engineering and metal processing or closely related fields
- You are fluent in at least one of the regional languages and in English
- You are currently residing in Albania, Bosnia & Herzegovina, Kosovo, Montenegro, North Macedonia or Serbia

Please send your CV and a brief email outlining your availability and current place of residence to hr@ipcgmbh.com with the subject "Technical Expert for Equipment/Supply" no later than 30 January 2024.