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JTPeers Experts

CALL TEXT

Call for JTPeers Experts – A Digital Database of Just Transition Professionals in the EU

The Just Transition Fund (JTF) is an instrument of the EU's Cohesion Policy, as the first pillar of the Just Transition Mechanism (JTM) in the context of the European Green Deal aiming at achieving the EU climate-neutrality by 2050. The Just Transition Platform (JTP) is the EU's key tool to help Member States and regions unlock the support available through the JTM, ensuring a fair and just transition that leaves no person or region behind.

The European Commission is providing additional support for JTF territories through JTPeers Experts. JTPeers Experts is a programme to set up a digital expert database that catalogues and showcases the profiles and expertise of professionals in the just transition field across the EU.

The database, set to launch later this fall, aims to help interested parties from eligible JTF territories to find and connect with experts. These experts can provide guidance and assistance to the territories in implementing their Territorial Just Transition Plans (TJTP).

As part of launching the JTPeers Experts database, the Commission is inviting professionals, researchers and practitioners experienced in just transition processes to join the database.

Interested experts [can apply](#) for the JTPeers Experts database from **11 September 2023 to 29 September 2023** at 23:00pm CEST.

Background Information

The Commission recognises that numerous professionals, researchers and practitioners in the EU possess technical expertise and valuable practical knowledge about just transition processes, but they lack visibility and opportunities to connect with their peers, or with other stakeholders, such as JTF beneficiaries looking to effectively implement their TJTPs.

Some stakeholders can benefit from expert guidance to turn their TJTPs into tangible projects, while others require support in establishing governance and evaluation mechanisms. JTPeers Experts aims to bridge these gaps by providing a digital platform for key actors to find just transition experts.

These experts will be selected based on their expertise and knowledge profiles, with a focus on their potential contributions to the just transition process in JTF territories. This includes activities, like:

- Sharing and exchanging knowledge with expert peers and key actors from eligible JTF territories on topics relevant to the JTF;
- Sharing practical experience in shaping just transition on the ground;
- Providing guidance and counselling for EU regions on how to support Europe's just transition to a sustainable, climate-neutral economy;
- Contributing to technical assistance for the implementation of TJTPs' project delivery, monitoring and governance for eligible JTF territories;

- Upon invitation, speaking at the Just Transition Platform (JTP) Conferences, or other events related to the JTP.

Benefits of joining JTPeers Experts

Become a part of JTPeers Experts and experience the following benefits:

- Make a meaningful impact supporting successful transformations in coal + and carbon-intensive territories in the EU. Once included in the JTPeers Experts database experts become part of a unique network of experts in the Just Transition field;
- Stay updated on the latest just transition developments across the EU, ensuring that you're well-informed about the evolving landscape of sustainable development.
- Access an extensive community of thinkers, shapers, and doers all over Europe. As part of JTPeers Experts, you will connect with practitioners, researchers and stakeholders from eligible JTF territories, fostering collaboration and knowledge exchange.
- Enhance your visibility in the EU. By being a JTPeers expert, interested parties, including representatives from JTF territories and EU institutions, can easily find your profile within the database. This heightened visibility can lead to more opportunities for you to showcase your expertise, benefit from others' knowledge and make a tangible impact for just transition efforts in your country, across Europe or even beyond.

Who can apply?

In line with the JTF's objectives, experts from public or private sectors with a proven personal track record of the following skills and experiences are encouraged to participate:

- Support in just transition processes, especially in directly preparing and elaborating TJTPs;
- Engagement with the JTP and/or participation in other relevant EU programmes and initiatives;
- Technical assistance, peer-exchanges, capacity building or advisory work, especially related to eligible JTF territories, or other carbon-intensive and coal+ territories;
- Delivery and governance of just transition projects through the development of project pipelines, monitoring/evaluation mechanisms, stakeholder engagement procedures or similar.

In addition, professionals with proven experience in at least one of the following topical areas will be considered as well:

- Upskilling and reskilling of workers and jobseekers, vocational training, lifelong learning and formal education;
- Green economic diversification and job creation (including SMEs, start-ups, business incubators, etc.);

- Job-search assistance and active inclusion of jobseekers;
- Circular economy (including waste prevention, resource efficiency, repair, etc.);
- Clean and affordable energy (including efficiency, storage, heating & cooling, energy poverty, etc.);
- Decarbonisation of industry (including mobility/transport, emission reductions, ETS activities);
- Regeneration and decontamination of brownfields, land restoration, nature-based solutions and site repurposing;
- Research and innovation;
- Digitalisation and digital connectivity;
- Social inclusion, the gender dimension and policies aimed at alleviating the transition process for communities.

While selecting the applications, the European Commission will focus primarily on strong qualifications and relevant professional experience, while also striving to ensure gender balance and a broad geographical and language coverage.

How does the JTPeers Experts database application process work?

The deadline for application for the JTPeers Experts database is 29 September at 23:00pm CEST.

To apply as an expert please fill out the [JTPeers Experts EU survey questionnaire](#). This questionnaire focuses on relevant just transition expertise, a minimum of three years of work experience, and language skills (English at C1 level, as well as any other languages). Alignment of the expert's work experience with JTF/TJTP objectives and potential added value to JTF territories will also be considered. Priority may be given to applicants with the legal ability to work in the EU and intimate experience within specific JTF territories.

You can withdraw your application at any time.

For any questions about JTPeers Experts, please refer to the [FAQ](#) or contact us via email: JTPeers@justtransitionplatform.eu.

Disclaimer:

Please note that being included in the JTPeers Experts database does not guarantee automatic selection for any specific activity organised by the JTP, such as exchanges or technical assistance, nor does it imply eligibility for remuneration by the JTP. Furthermore, inclusion within the database does not equal any official endorsement of any listed expert or their expertise by the JTP, European Commission or otherwise.

