

Australian National University

Position Description

College/Division:	ANU College of Asia and the Pacific	
Faculty/School/Centre: Crawford School of Public Policy		
Department/Unit:	Centre for Climate and Energy Policy	
Position Title:	Research Associate / Postdoctoral Fellow	
Classification:	Academic Level A	
Position No:	36112	
Responsible to:	Dr Jorrit Gosens	

PURPOSE STATEMENT:

The ANU College of Asia and the Pacific (CAP) leads intellectual engagement with the Asia-Pacific region through research, teaching and contributions to public debate, and seeks to set the international standard for scholarship concerning the region.

The Crawford School of Public Policy is Australia's premier public policy school, with recognised world-class expertise and experience in economics, political science, environmental management and development, and on key Asia-Pacific countries.

The position is with the Centre for Climate and Energy Policy (CCEP) at the Crawford School of Public Policy, as part of its activities under the Centre for China in the World's Energy Transition Spoke, a platform for ANU researchers working on policy issues related to energy transition, with a geographic focus on the Chinese mainland, Taiwan, and Hong Kong, or with collaborators from these locations.

The Research Associate / Postdoctoral Fellow will be the lead analyst in a research project tracking and analyzing Chinese energy and climate policies and contribute to relevant publications. This will require strong Chinese language skills. The Research Associate will also be expected to assist with research projects of other spoke members, and to make contributions to the administrative tasks for the Energy Transition Spoke activities, including organization of research workshop(s) or webinars and outreach, e.g. through ANU websites and social media.

KEY ACCOUNTABILITY AREAS:

Position Dimension & Relationships:

The Research Associate / Postdoctoral Fellow will work under the supervision of, and in collaboration with Dr Jorrit Gosens and the research team on a project funded by the Australian Centre for China in the World. This project, for a 'Strategic Research Spoke: Energy Transition' aims to develop collaborations in inter-disciplinary research in 2021, and to showcase the breadth and depth of ANU's expertise in energy transition in relation to China.

At ANU, the project is led and implemented by the Centre for Climate and Energy Policy (CCEP) at the Crawford School of Public Policy.

Part of this project will be tracking and analysing China's ongoing efforts to decarbonize, towards its recently announced goal of net-zero emissions by 2060. The Research associate will be expected to track policy announcements including upcoming five year plans and sectoral decarbonisation roadmaps. A key focus will be to analyse the extent to which near-term plans work to achieve long-term goals. The Research associate will be expected to collate input from other Spoke members and collaborators at Tsinghua University in Beijing, China.

The *Research Associate / Postdoctoral Fellow* will further assist with organizing one or two workshops on the topic of China's decarbonisation plans, which brings together Spoke members and external experts, and discuss developments, including as laid out in the analysis by the Research associate.

Role Statement:

All academic staff within the College are expected to undertake work in three areas of academic activity - education (teaching and learning), research and service (including outreach). The allocation of time to each area will reflect relative opportunities within the School and/or discipline field as well as individual appointment situations. This expectation applies regardless of the level of appointment, the type of appointment an academic holds, or the part of the University in which an academic may have begun their career at ANU.

Under the broad direction, the Research Associate / Postdoctoral Fellow will:

- 1. Lead data collection and analysis especially on China's climate and energy policies and contribute to the preparation of research papers.
- 2. Be involved in organisation and implementation of workshops, webinars and other outreach activities.
- 3. Contribute to liaison between the ANU research team and partners China, including scheduling and participation in regular meetings with partners for the conduct of research as required.
- 4. Undertake administrative tasks relevant to the position.
- 5. Other duties as allocated by the supervisor consistent with the classification of the position.
- 6. Comply with all ANU policies and procedures, and in particular those relating to work health and safety and equal opportunity.

Skill Base

A Level A academic will work with the support and guidance from more senior academic staff and is expected to develop his or her expertise in teaching and research with an increasing degree of autonomy.

A Level A academic will normally have completed four years of tertiary study or equivalent qualifications and experience and may be required to hold a relevant higher degree.

SELECTION CRITERIA:

- 1. A recently completed Masters degree or working towards their PhD (for appointment as Research Associate) in a relevant area (e.g. environmental policy, economics or other relevant social sciences), or a completed PhD in a relevant area (for appointment as Post-doctoral Fellow).
- 2. Strong Chinese reading skills.
- 3. Experience with qualitative research methods, including energy and climate policy analysis.
- 4. A proven ability to communicate and interact in an academic environment orally and writing in English.
- 5. Proven ability to work co-operatively in a small team environment
- 6. A demonstrated understanding of equal opportunity principles and policies and a commitment to their application in a university context.

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Date:

References:

Minimum Standards for Academic Levels (MSAL)

The ANU conducts background checks on potential employees, and employment in this position is conditional on satisfactory results in accordance with the <u>Background Checking Procedure</u> which sets out the types of checks required by each type of position.