

CONSULTANT, GOVERNMENT RELATIONS, THAILAND

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POSITION

The consultant is responsible for **supporting government affairs and public policy projects** in Thailand, across a variety of sectors and in a cross-cultural setting.

We expect the candidate to have **strong government experience and connections** with proven capacity to drive projects to completion. Experience in either the government or in the private sector working with the government will be favourably considered. We also appreciate work with nimble teams and external specialists of varying levels of seniority and expertise, and building and sustaining external coalitions.

We expect the candidate to be an **adept analytical and strategic thinker**, with well-honed skills in synthesizing complex information, drawing conclusions, and translating them into action. Clearly communicating plans of action to international professionals will be part of your daily work.

PRIMARY RESPONSIBILITIES

- Government relations: Liaise and coordinate with officials at government agencies on behalf of clients.
- **Strategic counsel:** Develop recommendations to facilitate client engagement with stakeholders to advance GR objectives in Thailand across various sectoral and policy issues.
- **Research:** Oversee the research and drafting of analytical reports, including obtaining relevant information from government.
- **Firm representation**: Represent V&P at external engagements, including business missions, meetings, workshops, and conferences.
- Business development: Supports proposal developments and business development meetings.

QUALIFICATIONS

- A minimum of five years' relevant work experience in government or a private-sector external affairs role in a multi-national company, consulting company, journalism, or think tanks.
- A relevant undergraduate degree, preferably in areas of political science, economics, public policy, law, or international relations. An advanced degree is a value-add but not required.
- Strong knowledge and understanding of Thailand's political dynamics.
- Effective time management skills and ability to handle multiple tasks.
- Motivated self-starter, team player, eagerness to contribute to firm's growth.



NAVIGATING THE POLITICS OF BUSINESS

• This role requires fluency in Thai language. Excellent written and oral communication skills in English is preferred but less important.

Additional Information:

Location: Bangkok, with occasional travel

Interested candidates should send their applications to careersthailand@vrienspartners.com and indicate the position being applied for in the subject line. Please include a cover letter demonstrating interest and fitness for the position (required) and current resume.