Job Description: Senior Programme Manager, Emerging Markets and Just Transition

Reports to: Senior Investment Specialist for Public Markets
Place of work: Central London / hybrid
Time: 5 days/week – full time
Contract Length: 18-month fixed term, with possible extension
Starting date: As soon as possible
Salary: Competitive plus benefits

About IIGCC
IIGCC brings the investment community together to work towards a net zero and climate resilient future. We create change the world needs by unlocking investor action on climate change.

Our work supports investors in generating returns for clients and beneficiaries, which in turn provides financial wellbeing for future generations. We work with our members to address climate risk and ensure they are well positioned to make the most of investment opportunities offered by climate mitigation and adaptation efforts, ensuring that their investments contribute towards a better world for us all to live in.

Our team collaborates with investors to create practical solutions that can make a real difference in tackling climate change – facilitating investment practices, policies and corporate behaviours that have real impact and deliver change that the world needs.

Our work is delivered across three programme areas – corporate, investor strategies and policy – and covers a range of important topics, including net zero, adaptation and resilience, and nature. There is a growing understanding amongst investors that global decarbonisation is necessary to meet the goals of the Paris Agreement. There is also a recognition that this transition must be ‘just’ and ‘fair’ and that financial flows for mitigation (and adaptation) must include broader sustainable development goals and help local communities grow and thrive. This role will seek to embed these principles in our market leading guidance to investors working across our investor strategies team and our broader programmes in engaging companies and policymakers on these issues.

For more information visit www.iigcc.org and @iigccnews.

The Role
We are looking for a motivated and organised person to lead IIGCC’s Emerging Markets and Just Transition workstream within our Investor Strategies programme. You will be responsible for leading the integration of Emerging Market and Just Transition
perspectives into IIGCC’s Net Zero Investment Framework, working closely with our Senior Specialist for Public Markets and our Climate Frameworks Lead.

Reporting to the Senior Investment Specialist for Public Markets, you will lead a number of investor and industry-wide working groups, acting as an Emerging Markets and Just Transition subject matter expert and focal point for a range of stakeholders including asset managers, asset owners, impact investors, public finance institutions, academics, government partners and civil society. You will also identify industry needs and spearhead IIGCC’s workstream to deliver reports, data analysis, investor guidance, and present IIGCC’s work and thought leadership at industry events.

While this role is initially offered on a fixed term basis for 18 months, we hope that the contract can be extended, subject to resources.

**Main responsibilities**

- Lead and coordinate Emerging Market and Just Transition roundtables and working groups, focusing on incorporating these aspects into climate related guidance for investors.

- Undertake research and analysis to produce and inform guidance, thought leadership pieces, case studies and activities to help IIGCC members better understand and engage in Emerging Markets whilst understanding social impacts.

- Represent IIGCC in Emerging Market and Just Transition collaborations across finance, public and real economy sectors.

- Manage third party consultants where relevant.

- Work closely with investors to understand how they assess climate risks of Emerging Market assets in their investment strategies and how they incorporate Just Transition considerations. Identify challenges and prioritise areas for further work.

- Engage with a range of third-party organisations to develop partnerships and take forward collaborative work to develop methodologies, approaches, and improve data availability to support the case for greater climate finance investment in Emerging Markets.

- Line manage staff as assigned, including their recruitment, performance management, coaching and development.

- Liaise with the development team for grant management purposes to report on the outputs and impact of IIGCC’s work to funders.

- Working with the Programme Director and other IIGCC staff, contribute to policy and stakeholder engagement in local, regional, national and supranational contexts.
– Act as a key point of contact for the Communications team in relation to content to demonstrate and communicate IIGCC’s work in this area.

– Coordinate IIGCC working groups and webinar logistics, working with other IIGCC Investor Strategies programme staff.

– Collaborate with other IIGCC initiatives as required.

**Skills and capabilities**

**Essential**

– Significant experience of working on issues relating to climate change and finance, ideally in a private or public finance sector context. Alternatively, experience working in a relevant consulting or government role with professional studies or demonstrated understanding of climate change, emerging markets and social impact considerations.

– Familiarity with technical issues including transition and physical climate risk, financial and social impact materiality.

– Knowledge and demonstrated experience of the nuances of investing in Emerging Markets.

– Experience of investment and climate related issues in relation to one or more of the following asset classes, e.g. equity, corporate fixed income and sovereign bonds, infrastructure, real estate, and private equity.

– Strong project management, coordination and organisational skills, with proven ability to prioritise.

– Experience of effectively leading workstreams.

– Strong communication skills, including interpersonal, verbal and written. Confident public speaker and presenter.

– Ability to work under pressure.

– Self-motivated, flexible and disciplined.

– Enthusiastic and positive approach.

– Fluent in routine IT tools including Microsoft Office.

– Fluency in English language.

– Willingness to occasionally travel as part of the role.
Desirable

- Understanding of the interface between public and private finance is an advantage.
- Fluency in other languages (e.g., French, Spanish, Portuguese, German).
- Experience in public speaking and delivering presentations.
- Previous management or administration of programmes related to government grants.
- Previous line management experience.

Why work at IIGCC?

People join IIGCC because they care deeply about making a difference in supporting our mission that brings the investment community together to make significant progress towards a net zero and climate resilient future by 2030. In return, IIGCC offers its employees a competitive salary with a wide range of benefits and supportive ways of working. You can find the full list of our benefits here.

Applications

Interested applicants should submit a Curriculum Vitae and a cover letter detailing their relevant skills, capabilities and experience for the role by completing the application form here. If you have any queries, please email vacancy@iigcc.org.

Recruitment timeline:

- Deadline for applications: 9am, 31 January 2024
- 1st round interviews (virtual): w/c 12 February 2024
- 2nd round interviews (in person): w/c 19 February 2024

We reserve the right to extend the deadline or close this vacancy early depending on the applications we receive. We recommend that you submit your application as early as possible.

Please note:

- Applicants must be eligible to work in the UK.
- Only shortlisted candidates will be notified.
- We do not discriminate on the basis of race, age, gender, sex, sexual orientation, disability, religion, marital status, or any other basis of discrimination prohibited by law.