Job description: IIGCC Senior Sustainable Finance Manager

Reports to: IIGCC Programme Director – Investor Practices
Place of work: Central London (occasional travel to be expected)
Time: 5 Days/week – full time
Contract Length: 1 year contract with possible extension
Starting date: asap
Salary: Competitive plus benefits

About IIGCC
The Institutional Investors Group on Climate Change (IIGCC) is a forum for collaboration on climate change for European investors. There are currently over 230 members, including some of the largest pension funds and asset managers across 15 countries, representing around €30 trillion in assets under management. IIGCC brings investors together to use their significant collective influence with policymakers, investors and companies to encourage policies and practices which accelerate the shift to a net zero emissions economy.

The Role
We are looking for a motivated team player to support the development and implementation of sustainable finance policy in the EU and UK. Reporting to the Investor Practices Programme Director but working very closely with the rest of the team given the cross-cutting nature of this role, you will be responsible for leading and coordinating our sustainable finance policy workstreams. You will have regular contact with investors as well as with our wider stakeholders including policymakers, civil society and businesses.

Main tasks
• **Shaping regulatory developments by engaging with IIGCC members and policymakers on:**
  - Engaging effectively in the development and negotiation of EU and UK sustainable finance instruments, including:
    - EU Sustainable Finance Strategy
    - The review of the Non-Financial Reporting Directive
    - Next steps of the EU Taxonomy and related policies or standards
    - Updated UK pensions regulation in relation to reporting on ESG and stewardship
    - The potential regulatory framework for ESG ratings
  - Ensuring ongoing alignment and driving best practice across the UK and EU as the two regulatory frameworks diverge post-Brexit

• **Supporting investors navigating and implementing the sustainable finance regulatory landscape, by:**
  - Providing guides, briefings, webinars, workshops and other updates and events in order to keep IIGCC members informed of developments and to support the implementation of new regulation
  - Facilitating investor discussion and providing advice on emerging divergences between UK and EU regulation.
  - Maintaining an overview of international developments of relevance to this work, e.g. the TCFD, G7 and G20 Finance Ministers’ meetings.
• **Coordinating and capturing investor feedback on the application of new policies**
  o Gathering comments and reactions from IIGCC members on their experience of implementing recent sustainable finance policies, including:
    ▪ EU Taxonomy
    ▪ EU Paris-aligned Benchmarks
    ▪ EU investor duties and disclosures
    ▪ UK 2020 stewardship code
  o Capturing lessons from the IIGCC Paris Aligned Investment Initiative (PAII) relating to policy barriers which hinder full Paris-alignment of portfolios
  o Consolidating all feedback into coherent messages for policymakers as relevant regulations are reviewed.

• **Coordination and support across the IIGCC team**
  o Working closely with the staff of all three IIGCC programmes to ensure a joined-up and coherent approach which takes into account considerations from investors, companies and policymakers.
  o Working with the IIGCC policy team to ensure wider coherence across sustainable finance and the real economy in terms of both policy development and advocacy strategies
  o Inputting to COP26 planning as required
  o Supporting the development of media comment and engagement as required
  o Providing updates, steers and support to the IIGCC CEO and Board as required, with the oversight of the Programme Directors

**Skills and capabilities:**
- Extensive experience of working within a public policy or sustainable investment role, ideally focused on climate finance or ESG issues.
- Good knowledge of EU policymaking process
- Familiarity with disseminating regulatory information, developing organisational policy positions and providing advice on emerging UK/EU policy desirable
- Strong project management, coordination and organisational skills, with experience of effectively leading workstreams
- Personable with excellent communication skills both verbally and in writing
- Skilled at working under pressure with proven ability to prioritise
- Demonstrable experience in working both collaboratively and independently to formulate insights and produce credible, clear and compelling recommendations
- Self-motivated, flexible and disciplined
- Fluent in routine IT tools including Microsoft Office
- Fluency in English language; other European languages an advantage but not essential

**Benefits**
In addition to competitive salaries, we offer a range of benefits including:
- 25 days’ annual leave plus public holidays
- Generous company pension scheme
- Life assurance
- Private healthcare
Applications

Interested applicants should submit a Curriculum Vitae and a cover letter detailing their qualifications and experience for the role to info@iigcc.org.

- Closing date for applications: 25 May 2020
- Starting date: asap
- Applicants must be eligible to work in the UK.
- Only shortlisted candidates will be notified.

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