

Programme Manager Voluntary Carbon Market Formation Geneva/flexible

The Associate for Voluntary Carbon Markets will support IETA's work on the Integrity Council for the Voluntary Carbon Market (ICVCM). The Integrity Council is supported by a Secretariat made up of four leading climate, finance, and standards NGOs: the Green Finance Institute, the British Standards Institution (BSI), the International Emissions Trading Association (IETA), and the Center for Climate and Energy Solutions (C2ES).

IETA leads on market formation to ensure the Integrity Council is successful in establishing and enforcing the Core Carbon Principles (CCPs) as the definitive quality threshold standard for carbon credits, securing widespread market and stakeholder support for this, and in providing oversight over standard-setting programs and the development of robust market infrastructure.

IETA also provides secretariat support to the ICVCM Standards Oversight Committee and to develop multi-stakeholder work programmes. The Programme Manager will work closely with the Director for Voluntary Carbon Market Formation to provide secretariat support, develop and execute the market formation strategy and ensure multi-stakeholder engagement in forthcoming work programmes.

The successful candidate will not only be a self-starter, but will also need to thrive in an independent work environment as well as have a passion for developing carbon markets that support the achievement of the Paris goals.

Main Responsibilities

Revise market formation and communications strategy

Prepare and execute comprehensive outreach strategy around the ICVCM launch, engaging private sectors, governments and NGO networks;

Support the market formation committee with content research and meeting preparation;

Support set-up and ongoing outreach for multi-stakeholder working groups;

Coordinate with the four organisations of the Executive Secretariat;

Connect with key market players to provide appropriate data infrastructure, mobilise demand and supply for CCP credits;

Maintain connection with IETA's internal legal and digital and data working groups;

Necessary Skills and Qualifications

A degree in either environmental management, international relations, economics, finance, or in a related field;

4-5 years work experience in a relevant organisation;

Familiarity and previous work experience with climate policy and/or carbon markets;

Previous work experience in the private sector, environmental NGO and/or in member associations;

Experience in outreach and stakeholder engagement;

Ability to work independently and proactively;

Ability to learn quickly in a fast-paced environment;

Strong interpersonal and excellent verbal and written communication skills;

Strong organisational, software and time management skills; and

A personal interest in and dedication to climate action and market solutions.

Salary and location

Salary will be commensurate with experience.

Location for this position is flexible, Geneva preferred.

This position reports to the Director for Voluntary Carbon Market Formation

This is an opportunity to contribute to a highly respected and impactful multi-sector member organisation, working to support global climate change action and cooperation.

To Apply

Send a cover letter and CV to humanresources@ieta.org, by 15 February 2023.

About IETA

The International Emissions Trading Association (IETA) is a non-profit business organisation created in June 1999 to establish a functional international framework for trading in greenhouse gas emission reductions. Our membership includes leading international companies from across the carbon trading cycle. IETA members seek to develop an emissions trading regime that results in real and verifiable greenhouse gas emission reductions, while balancing economic efficiency with environmental integrity and social equity. www.ieta.org.

About The Integrity Council for the Voluntary Carbon Market (ICVCM)

The Integrity Council is an independent governance body for the voluntary carbon market. Its purpose is to ensure the voluntary carbon market accelerates a just transition to 1.5°C.

It does this by setting and enforcing definitive global threshold standards, drawing on the best science and expertise available, so high-quality carbon credits channel finance towards genuine and additional greenhouse gas reductions and removals that go above and beyond what can otherwise be achieved, and contribute to climate resilient development.

Its mandate has three parts:

First to establish, host, and curate a set of Core Carbon Principles (CCPs), which will set new threshold standards for high-quality carbon credits and define which carbon-crediting programs and methodology types are CCP-eligible.

Second, to provide governance and oversight over carbon-crediting programs on adherence to CCPs as well as on market infrastructure and participant eligibility.

Third to help to coordinate and manage interlinkages between individual bodies; define a roadmap for the responsible growth of the Voluntary Carbon Market

The Integrity Council is uniquely positioned to ensure the integrity of the VCM because it is built on world-leading and globally diverse expertise from across the carbon market value chain. You can find out more about who we are at www.icvcm.org.