

Associate

Location: Hybrid (home-working / London office)

Start date: April 2024/as soon as possible.

Role: 1 year fixed-term contract, full-time

About the Green Finance Institute (GFI):

Founded in 2019 to accelerate the deployment of finance towards a net zero and resilient economy, the GFI is an independent, commercially focused and philanthropically-financed organisation, seed funded by the UK Government and the City of London Corporation.

The GFI has already established a leading and differentiated position based on a distinct strategy of identifying impactful interventions to unlock barriers to deploying capital at pace and scale towards sector specific, real-economy outcomes such as the energy efficiency of buildings, decarbonisation of road transport, nature-based financial solutions, international carbon markets and developing markets' climate smart infrastructure.

Through both creating and managing networks of dynamic decision makers across financial services, policy, business, academia and civil society, the GFI is renowned for its practical financial expertise, efficient project execution and generous collaboration, increasingly positioning the organisation as a partner of choice for both policy-makers and market participants to connect political ambition and industry objectives with well-designed solutions for the financial sector both in the UK and overseas.

What's the role?

The initial focus of the role will be supporting GFIs workstreams in sustainable aviation fuel (SAF) and carbon dioxide removals (CDR). The work will include modelling and analysis to explore barriers to commercialisation and identifying solutions to de-risking these nascent markets, with the goal of creating commercially scalable industries.

As an Associate, you will play a key role in a growing team working across the Green Finance Institute's portfolio of coalitions, projects and taskforces, working collaboratively with a range of domestic and global stakeholders.

Your responsibilities will be wide-ranging, and you will manage and deliver specific project objectives, providing specialist support on financial innovations. You will build your expertise in green finance topics and a key area of focus, contributing to supportive policy formation to accelerate the adoption of new products and services. You will also provide support to working groups, steering committees and other groups to deliver key project objectives. As your experience and expertise grows you will also be expected to represent the Institute at relevant industry events.

The role will fully immerse you in the day-to-day activities of the Institute's coalitions, projects and initiatives and you will collaborate with major financial institutions in designing new financial products and services.

Collaboration with industry, government, civil society and academia domestically and internationally is a key element of this role and we're looking for a team member who will thrive in a dynamic environment where creative thinking, communication and time management skills are essential.

We'll trust you to:

- Support the strategic direction of projects and be responsible for elements of their day-to-day running, under the direction of the senior team.
- Initiate and develop relationships with public and private sector stakeholders to engage relevant participants into our work, and manage complex stakeholder relationships.
- Build your expertise in green finance topics and areas of focus and contribute to supportive policy formation to accelerate the adoption of new products and services.
- Work in partnership with our marketing and communications function on newsworthy announcements and events.

- Represent the Institute at relevant industry events.

You need to have:

- Previous work experience in a relevant sector.
- Strong modelling experience across corporate finance and financial analysis.
- Experience in project management and negotiation.
- Outstanding interpersonal and relationship building skills with senior-level officials, partners and influencers across private and public sectors.
- Excellent written and oral communication skills with a proven capacity to translate information and big ideas into actionable plans.
- A strong independent work ethic in addition to an ability to work as part of an agile and fast-moving team.
- A genuine interest in environmental sustainability.
- High attention to detail and demonstrable research and analytical skills.
- Strong organisation skills and ability to handle multiple projects.
- An ability to meet deadlines, logically tackle problems and set priorities.

We'd love to see:

- Previous experience at a financial institution.
- Green or sustainable finance qualification or experience.

If this sounds like you:

Please apply by submitting your CV and a short cover letter (of no more than two sides). Your cover letter should include details of:

- your relevant work / educational experience.
- your skills and in particular your experience in modelling and analysis.
- how you meet the broader requirements of the role.

CVs without a cover letter will not be considered.

The closing date for applications is **9am on 22nd April 2024**. Please submit your application to recruitment@gfi.green

Please note:

- *If you do not already hold the right to work in the UK and/or require sponsorship in order to continue working here, you should think carefully before applying.*
- *The Green Finance Institute is an equal opportunity employer and we value diversity. If you are invited to interview and need any reasonable adjustments during the interview process, please let us know.*