



Junior Professional Officer Program (JPO) Chiffre Nr. 2024-2-57

GENERAL INFORMATION

Title: Junior Professional Officer (JPO)

Agency: World Bank Group

Division/VPU: IFC- Sustainable Infrastructure Climate Advisory / Industries Vice Presidency (IFC-CEMIA/IFC-CGIVP)

Country and Duty Station: Washington DC, USA

Duration: 2 years with possibility of extension for another year. The extension of appointment is subject to yearly review concerning priorities, availability of funds, and satisfactory performance.

Please note that for participants of the JPO-Programme three years work experience are mandatory when applying for the World Bank. Relevant work experience can be counted. In order to assess the eligibility of the candidates, we review the relevant experience acquired after obtaining the first university degree (usually bachelor's degree).

BACKGROUND

The World Bank Group's mission is to create a world free of poverty on a livable planet. IFC - a member of the World Bank Group - is the largest global development institution focused on the private sector in emerging markets. We work in more than 100 countries, using our capital, expertise. And influence to create markets and opportunities in developing countries. In fiscal year 2023, IFC committed a record US \$43.7 billion to private companies and financial institutions in developing countries, leveraging the power of the private sector to end extreme poverty and boost shared prosperity as economies grapple with the impacts of global compounding crises. For more information, visit www.ifc.org.

IFC's Infrastructure Department provides investment and advisory services for private sector and municipal clients across energy, mining, transport, utilities, and telecom/media/technology sectors, and further mobilizes private sector capital from institutional investors and other financial institutions. Sustainable Infrastructure Advisory (SIA) works with IFC clients to build community buy-in for and ensure broad stakeholder benefit from infrastructure and natural resource projects. SIA has developed a Corporate Climate Advisory (CCA) practice to support IFC mainstream and sustainable finance investments in infrastructure sectors. CCA delivers innovative solutions at the nexus of economic, climate and social issues that can contribute to improving the environmental and social sustainability and impact of IFC's investments. The team provides value add support

to clients in member countries to decarbonize in line with global goals of meeting net-zero greenhouse gas emissions by 2050; to better understand and respond to climate risk through enhanced adaptation; and to plan for a just transition to build a shared prosperity in a new climate economy.

ABOUT THE ROLE

The CCA team is seeking to recruit a passionate and highly motivated young professional with solid technical background in advising clients on climate change, specifically on GHG emissions reductions/mitigation strategies, climate risk and adaptation, and broader sustainability issues in the context of social impact and sustainable financings, to strengthen program delivery of its global team. The successful candidate will report to a CCA Team Lead based in Washington, D.C., work independently and in project teams to help deliver on CCA's global work program, provide support to investment officers, and deliver high quality, high impact advice to IFC clients.

The role demands strong analytical and problem-solving skills; creative, critical, and structured thinking; good presentational and report writing competence; with expertise in private sector development and strong climate, social performance, project delivery, business development, and oral and written communications skills.

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

Across all areas of responsibilities, the position will focus on supporting (i) the development of climate advisory services with a goal to contributing to growing IFC Infrastructure's investment business; and (ii) the development and delivery of strategic knowledge for climate action and improved environmental and social performance for IFC infrastructure sectors (energy, mining, transport, media, and telecommunications); and (iii) synthesis and sharing of knowledge to enhance climate action.

The responsibilities of the position will include (but not be limited to) the following:

1. Business development for climate advisory and sustainable finance
 - Prepare client pitches using PowerPoint and research databases to tailor presentations for prospective clients in the energy, mining, transport, and telecommunications sector in emerging markets.
 - Contribute to tailored presentations to support investment officers and client relationship managers to engage in strategic dialogue around beyond-compliance sustainability with clients.
 - Provide technical inputs and designing advisory projects for private sector clients with a focus on climate solutions for development challenges as part of green/blue/social/sustainability-linked financings.
2. Portfolio management
 - Develop project concept notes, project implementation plans, budgets, workplans, bi-annual project supervision reports and evidence collection for development impact/results measurement.
 - Manage dashboards to track project progress and human resource mobilization.
 - Support relationship building and mobilization of Climate Advisory strategic integration to Tier 1 client planning and systems management.
 - Support administration and development of content for consultants' procurement and client contracting.

3. Delivery of CCA client projects
 - Implementing client-facing advisory engagements on decarbonization strategies, climate risk and resilience roadmaps and just transition plans.
 - Project delivery will be under the oversight of the CCA Team Lead, with an expectation of significant initiative and ownership of tasks and extensive delivery and project coordination support. Tasks may include:
 - Developing and applying frameworks for analysis, problem-solving and solutions development.
 - Structuring research approaches and conducting primary/secondary data collection.
 - Executing analytical and interpretative tasks on projects, such as market analysis, business and financial analysis, sustainability performance analysis, and data modelling.
 - Communicating findings orally and in writing (e.g., contributing major components to project reports, producing PowerPoint slides, providing oral and written management briefings).
 - Managing small projects and contributing significantly to larger projects for corporate and public sector clients. For more experienced candidates, managing larger projects and projects workstreams.
4. Performing project reporting and administration tasks on an as need basis.
5. Coordinating partner delivery and quality controlling deliverables to ensure quality and timeliness.
6. Knowledge management and practice development support
 - Work with Team Leads to develop, refine, pitch, and implement advisory products and services with clients specific to Climate Risk, Adaptation and Resilience.
 - Work with the Team Leads to frame the strategy and offering, and define SIA's Just Transition advisory services and products, and champion business development.
 - Capturing lessons learned from regional projects and developing relevant knowledge products. This may include preparing case studies, organizing virtual and face-to-face events and BBLs, and contributing to reports and other publications.
 - Support CCA preparation for and contribute at internal climate knowledge sharing forums.

SELECTION CRITERIA

- **Master's Degree** qualified in social sciences, energy, economics, business, international relations, sustainable development management, or similar discipline. Demonstrable experience in finance and/or sustainable finance activities a plus.
- Proven experience in corporate level decarbonization or climate risk and opportunity assessment and strategy development.
- At least 3 years of relevant experience working with companies in management consulting services with a focus on sustainability, sustainable finance, and/or climate science.
- A proven track record in co-designing, and implementing, client-facing projects using innovative approaches.

- Proven ability in interacting with and managing relationships with diverse stakeholders including a range of private and public sector partners.
- Experience generating high-quality knowledge products for colleagues and clients.
- Excellent data analytical skills and interpretation.
- Excellent oral and written communication skills, in particular ability to effectively dialogue with and relate to clients and stakeholders.
- Experience working in some or all our target regions (Latin Americas, Africa and Asia).
- Understanding of the infrastructure (i.e., power/renewables, water, transport, and mining) sectors and their supply chains.
- Ability to work with multidisciplinary teams and to travel.
- High level of energy, initiative, and flexibility in quickly adjusting to changing work project requirements.
- Fluency in English essential; ability to work in other languages a plus.

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