



# CLEAN POWER LEAD

## Systems Transformation Team

<b>The role</b>	The Clean Power Lead will play a pivotal role in the High-Level Climate Champions' Energy team. Their responsibilities will include shaping and delivering the sector's strategy including high impact outcomes for a resilient, 1.5C aligned sector at COP29 and beyond, with a focus on supporting the delivery of the tripling renewable power generation and doubling the rate of improvements of energy efficiency by 2030
<b>Contract type</b>	Pro Bono Secondment. Remuneration for the role needs to be sponsored by your current employer.  <b>Please note, the Climate Champions Team is unable to fund this role. Prior to applying please ensure that your current employer would be willing to sponsor the role.</b>
<b>Contract Duration</b>	12 months minimum
<b>Time Commitment</b>	Minimum 50% role over 12 months (min 2.5 days a week)
<b>Start date</b>	As soon as possible
<b>Location</b>	Flexible. We are a global team, so the role may require some travel
<b>Annual leave</b>	In line with the employer policy (pro bono secondment).
<b>Reporting to</b>	Energy Cluster Lead, Systems Transformation
<b>Other</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The candidate is expected to work from home, with occasional travel as and when requested.</li> <li>• In some locations, a collaborative office space may be available.</li> <li>• The candidate is expected to provide and maintain their own ICT and work tools.</li> <li>• Out of town travel and other work related expenses will be reimbursed in line with the travel and expense policy</li> </ul>
<b>How to Apply</b>	Please submit your CV and cover letter ( no longer than an A4 page) <a href="#">via this form</a>  Applications will be assessed on a rolling basis. Interviews will be held as soon as suitable candidates have been identified.

### Background

The Climate Champions Team provides support to the UN High Level Climate Champions to deliver on the mandate from Parties: to drive climate action and enhance ambition by non-state actors. Working with the Marrakech Partnership and other partners, we mobilise businesses, investors, cities, regions



and civil society and act as a bridge between non-state actors and national governments to reach the goals of the Paris Agreement. At COP26, the two serving High Level Climate Champions launched a [five year plan](#) to deliver on the mandate from Parties. It sets out objectives and details of the tools employed to achieve them, across six key functions for the work of the Climate Champions Team for the period 2021 – 2025.

The global team is resourced to support the major campaigns [Race to Zero](#), [Race to Resilience](#), as well as sector-focused systems transformation using the [Climate Action Pathways, 2030 Breakthroughs](#) and the [Sharm El Sheikh Adaptation Agenda \(SAA\)](#) launched at COP 27 by the COP Presidency in collaboration of the HLCs.

**The Clean Power Lead is critical to help us deliver on our plan for COP29 and beyond.**

### **Responsibilities**

As the Clean Power lead, you will have primary responsibility for shaping and implementing the High Level Champions Clean Power objectives and strategies, working closely with the Energy Cluster lead, end-use sector clusters, regional teams and the Climate Champions Senior Leadership Team. The successful candidate will lead the implementation of this important workstream, working with a talented team and partners across the sector, governments, investor networks and not-for-profit organisations.

1. Provide overall direction and ensure delivery of the High Level Champions Clean Power work to accelerate progress in aligning the global energy system with the most ambitious goals of the Paris Agreement, with a focus on achieving net zero emissions globally before 2050 and limiting global temperature rise to 1.5 degrees Celsius over pre-industrial levels, fostering a just transition away from fossil fuels by tripling the global renewable energy capacity and doubling energy efficiency rate by 2030, as agreed by Parties at COP28 in Dubai in the UAE Consensus, and in alignment with the 2030 Breakthroughs and the Breakthrough Agenda priorities; while building climate resilience across societies and the economy. This requires a systems approach and [systems change tools](#), considering demand and supply side actors, finance, employee and civil society groups, among others.
2. Lead, coordinate, occasionally recruit, and regularly convene a diverse, internationally based Clean Power working group across regions and sub-sectors to implement a cohesive strategy and maximize the team's impact.
3. Support the delivery of the tripling renewable power generation and doubling the rate of improvements of energy efficiency by 2030 outcomes in line with the COP28 response to the Global Stocktake, driving collective action towards implementation.
4. Support the delivery of the Sharm Adaptation Agenda energy infrastructure 2030 outcomes for a resilient power sector, including increased resilience of energy generation, transmission and distribution



infrastructure, scaling up of regional power pool integration and increased flexibility of power systems, as well as nature-positive development of infrastructure.

5. Engage with senior stakeholders across all segments of the Clean Power Sector and its climate action initiatives to build and amplify momentum in the Race to Zero and Race to Resilience. Support the High Level Champions and Senior Leadership Team with appropriate Clean Power Sector materials for high level engagements.
6. Identify campaigns and initiatives that will bring high impact outcomes to COP29 and beyond. Define and implement approaches to better integrate Clean Power Sector leadership into COP29 related opportunities across sectors and geographies.
7. Oversee and support a work program at the regional and sector specific level, with high impact deliverables to accelerate the Clean Power Sector transformation in line with the 2030 Clean Power and Smart Electrification breakthroughs.
8. Ensure integration of the High Level Champions energy work with the Marrakech Partnership focal points and members to support the operationalization of the [‘Improved Marrakech Partnership for Global Climate Action for Enhancing Ambition 2021 – 2025’](#)
9. Act as a bridge to national governments to ensure Clean Power Sector ambition and action under the Race to Zero and Race to Resilience supports elevated ambition in Nationally Determined Contributions (NDCs) under the Paris Agreement as well as alignment of development investments with the transition to net zero emissions.
10. Represent the sector’s NSA communities in co-creating ambitious plans with outgoing and incoming COP presidency teams.
11. Lead on HLC engagement in Power chapter of the Breakthrough Agenda, ensuring both quality of input in the annual report co-authored with the IEA and meaningful engagement of Non-State Actors in the delivery of the priority actions

As this is a new and fast evolving team, the responsibilities are not set in stone. Rather, we expect the post holder to be adaptable and help develop the function in line with the changing requirements.

### **About you**

The successful candidate will have acquired deep experience of the Clean Power Sector especially distributed solar energy in developing countries where millions remain without access to reliable, affordable and clean power including for cooking. You will be a highly motivated self-starter, happy working across different time zones and cultures in a high-profile, fast-paced environment. You are able to exercise sound judgement in engaging the Clean Power Sector and are experienced at building coalitions and fostering collaboration across a wide range of actors.

**The following requirements are essential:**



- Exceptional programme development and leadership skills
- Strong understanding of the energy supply and end end-use sectors
- Understanding of the Paris Agreement and the role of the High-Level Champions in it
- Experience working in the area of clean energy, preferably including in emerging markets and developing countries
- Experience in working on energy systems flexibility and resilience will be a strong plus
- Experience in working on energy finance, particularly for emerging markets and developing countries will be a strong plus
- Proven track record of engaging effectively with senior level/C-suite public and private sector leaders
- Strong analytical skills and attention to detail
- Excellent process and project management skills, with ability to juggle multiple priorities and deadlines, and bring out the best in a diverse team across a broad range of global geographies and time zones
- Excellent communications skills, verbal and written
- Collaborative and collegial working style, and a strong team player
- Ability to manage ambiguity and change
- Committed to systemic transformation of the Energy Sector and good understanding of the levers for change to achieve the objectives of the Paris Agreement
- Determination to support ambitious climate action, and a commitment to the Climate Champions [core values](#)

### **Code of Conduct**

As a member of the Climate Champions Team you are required to adhere to the highest standards of conduct and behaviour, protecting the integrity of the mandate from Parties, the UNFCCC process, the UNFCCC institution and the COP presidency. Prior to joining the team, you will be required to familiarise yourself with, and sign up to, the UNFCCC Code of Conduct. And shortly after joining, there will be a number of mandatory induction meetings to ensure you have the information and tools needed to work to the highest standards.

### **Contract information**

The Climate Champions Team is a programme of work under the not for profit administrative host body Rockefeller Philanthropy Advisors (RPA). The pro bono secondment agreement will be drafted within the Climate Champions Team and signed by the employer of the successful candidate and a senior representative of RPA. Find out [more about RPA here](#).

