



FINANCE NATURE ASSOCIATE

The Role at a Glance

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Contract type	Pro Bono Secondment Note that CCT does not have funding for this position, so eligible candidates will need to have sponsorship from their employer
Contract Duration Time Commitment	12 months Part-time (min 3 days) with opportunity for full-time.
Remuneration level	The employer is responsible for all matters relating to remuneration and benefits.
Start date	No later than April 2024
Location	Flexible. We are a global team, so the role may require some travel
Annual leave	Inline with their employers leave policy.
Reporting to	Finance Nature Lead (on Finance Team)
Other	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The candidate is expected to work from home, with occasional travel as and when requested. • In some locations, a collaborative office space may be available. • The candidate is expected to provide and maintain their own ICT and work tools. • Out of town travel and other work related expenses will be reimbursed in line with the travel and expense policy
Recruitment process	<p>Please submit your CV and brief cover letter (no more than one A4 page) via this form</p> <p>Applications will be assessed on a rolling basis, with virtual interviews taking place as soon as suitable candidates are identified.</p>

Background

The Climate Champions Team provides support to the UN High-Level Champions (HLCs) 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 HLCs 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.

To help us deliver on our plan for COP29 and beyond, we now need a Nature Finance Associate.

Overview of the role

As the Finance Nature Associate, you will have primary responsibility for contributing to the implementation of the High Level Champions finance objectives and strategies, working closely with the High Level Climate Action Champions and the Climate Champions Senior Leadership Team. A successful candidate will be ready to support the implementation of this important workstream, working with talented finance, nature, and regional teams and partners across the finance sector, governments, investor networks and not-for-profit organisations.

Key responsibilities include:

1. Research and insights

- a. Primary information gathering and processing, supporting the nature finance team in leveraging evidence, knowledge and capabilities within the wider ecosystem, especially as it relates to innovative financial instruments for scaling nature-based solutions, and climate/nature policy processes.
- b. Lead on briefing notes for high-level interventions on the topic of finance nature for the Climate Champions
- c. Assist in the development of key centralised knowledge assets, processes and channels, to support the following priorities: [Nature Positive for Climate Action](#) call to action, Indigenous People and Local Communities (IPLC) focused nature fund campaign, and food systems and mangrove financing priorities, on an ad-hoc basis. This could include:
 - i. Researching key levers of change for climate and nature action and who is actioning / planning to action them
 - ii. Support scheduling

2. Project and process management

- a. Assist with stakeholder management with variety of partners across the finance nature ecosystem, including, public, private and civil society organisations
- b. Support project management of planned publications and case studies on finance nature
- c. Administrative assistance for key events and major workstreams, as directly related to sector work, including scheduling meetings, developing project management work plans etc.
- d. Support coordination with regional teams across Climate Champions to advance operationalization of nature finance priorities



About You

The successful candidate will have significant years of experience in finance and nature. You will be a highly motivated self-starter, willing to work across different time zones and cultures in a high-profile, fast-paced environment. You will need to be comfortable juggling different priorities and balancing multiple - and at times - competing demands and work in ways which are highly collaborative and engaging with a wide range of stakeholders at all levels and across all sectors of the economy, policy and society.

The following requirements are essential:

- 4-5 years of prior experience working with finance sector and experience with financial markets and related concepts
- Strong critical thinking and analytical skills, and attention to detail
- Excellent process and project management skills, with ability to juggle multiple priorities and deadlines
- Highly motivated and resourceful self starter
- Excellent communications skills, both verbal and written
- Collaborative and collegial working style, and a strong team player, with strong interpersonal skills and diplomacy
- Ability to manage through ambiguity and change
- Subject matter expertise on nature, land use, deforestation, nature-based solutions and food systems, and adaptation and resilience, including relevance of those issues for private finance highly desirable
- Determination to support 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. 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 contract for this role will be drafted within the Climate Champions Team and signed by the post holder and a senior representative of RPA. Find out [more about RPA here](#).