

(Senior) Programme Manager – Climate Change

Application deadline: 11 August 2022

We are looking for an experienced (Senior) Programme Manager to drive forward our work on policies and standards to fight climate change. The role will focus particularly on carbon neutrality at the international level, carbon accounting and measurement, geoengineering, and adaptation. You will be globally focussed, undertake advocacy work through public facing campaigns and contribute to technical discussions, including the drafting of international standards.

About ECOS: ECOS is an international NGO with a network of members and experts advocating for environmentally friendly technical standards, policies and laws. We ensure the environmental voice is heard when they are developed and drive change by providing expertise to policymakers and industry players, leading to the implementation of strong environmental principles. ECOS is headquartered in Brussels and has an exceptional team of 30+ staff supported by a network of over 50 technical experts and more than 50-member organisations.

Your main tasks will be to:

- Develop and implement ECOS strategy and positioning on climate change-related topics, including
 on accounting methods (including sector-specific requirements for energy-intensive industries, or
 buildings), carbon neutrality claims, and adaptation to climate change.
- Promote environmental interests in the proposal, development and revision of international and European policies and standards to in the area of Climate Change, particularly on carbon accounting, carbon neutrality, radiative forcing management or adaptation.
- Produce impactful materials and strategies in response to targets and opportunities stemming from policy and standardisation.
- Coordinate several projects, activities, but also with other team members and technical experts to support our work and impact in this area.

- Represent ECOS in relevant meetings, such as meetings of standardisation organisations (ISO, CENCENELEC) or European institutions, UN fora, and workshops, conferences and other platforms.
- Engage and collaborate with our members, other NGOs and relevant stakeholders.
- Prepare funding applications and ensure proper reporting to funders
- Assess independent industry initiatives on carbon emissions

Skills and experience required:

- University degree in environmental sciences, social sciences, or relevant discipline.
- Minimum 5 years of relevant professional experience on environment-related topics
- Relevant experience working with climate change-related policies at EU and/or international level
- Experience in developing & implementing strategies to achieve change, ideally through coalitions or campaigns
- Commitment to the values, vision and mission of environmental NGOs
- Strong analytical skills & ability to translate technical information into digestible information
- Excellent time and project management skills
- Ability to work effectively both independently and as part of a team
- Excellent writing, communication, networking and negotiation skills
- Fluent English, other languages an asset

What we offer:

- An open-ended Belgian contract with a competitive salary package between €3.200 €5.162* according to the ECOS salary scale and depending on skills and relevant experience of the candidate
- A benefits package (meal vouchers, pension scheme, 13th month, excellent insurances, public transport, eco-cheques etc.)
- A flexible, dynamic, and very pleasant international working environment
- Being part of a dedicated team whose common goal is to protect the environment
- A commitment to an inclusive and empowering approach to shaping your role and addressing our environmental challenges

How to apply:

Applicants should send a CV and cover letter by no later than 11 August to: info@ecostandard.org, with the subject line "(senior) PROGRAMME MANAGER-CLIMATE CHANGE: your name", The first round of interviews will take place shortly after the application deadline. We regret that only short-listed candidates will be contacted.

ECOS is an equal opportunity employer that is committed to diversity and inclusion in the workplace. At ECOS, we believe diversity is what makes our work richer and our team stronger. Your race, nationality, colour, gender, age, religion, disability, status, or sexual orientation are NOT important to us, we value your knowledge and commitment. If you believe you can contribute to our common goal, we encourage you to apply.

*The salary level of the candidate will be determined according to the relevant work experience for the role (Programme Manager/Senior Programme Manager) and the number of years within the position (0-18+ years).