

BVRio Circular Economy Programme Leader

Circular Economy, Plastics Credits and Solid Waste Management programme

Job Description, November 2020

1. Position summary

BVRio is a non-profit organisation with the objective of developing market mechanisms to facilitate compliance with environmental laws. Within the solid waste sector, BVRio is working to tackle the challenge of insufficient solid waste collection and recycling.

Since the launch of the 3R Initiative (www.3r-initiative.org) and the Circular Action Hub (www.circularactionhub.org), BVRio is expanding its work in this sector internationally. Working in collaboration with corporate and non-profit partners, we are developing an international market mechanism to incentivise the collection, separation and recycling of plastics and other solid waste materials.

We're now seeking an ambitious, experienced and driven individual to take the lead on this programme of activities, to guide its growth phase, with a special focus on project management and origination of new corporate and project participants.

This is an exciting opportunity to join a growing organisation working at the interface between policy, trading and finance to help address the global plastic waste problem in an innovative and socially responsible manner.

The job is based in Oxford, UK, and involves some international travel.

2. Responsibilities

- Lead the day-to-day management of BVRio's activities in the solid waste sector;
- Ensure the delivery of 3R objectives and operational targets;
- Work with BVRio's partners to build and promote the 3R Initiative and Circular Action Hub with input from other industry players and civil society/NGOs;
- Working with partners, lead BVRio's participation in the development of plastic credit markets;
- Coordinate the client origination activities of the Circular Action Hub and 3RI, to attract more corporate buyers and new projects;
- Proactively engage with companies, governments and NGOs for the development of new projects;
- Design, structure, develop and write proposals for companies and donors for financing BVRio's work on this sector;
- Represent BVRio and present at events, meetings and conferences.

3. Qualifications, Skills and Experience

- An above average qualification (Masters or equivalent) in a relevant discipline;
- At least five years' experience of relevant professional experience, preferably in the environmental sector, resource management and/or the circular economy;
- Proven experience developing and maintaining effective partnerships with various stakeholders including large companies, small and medium enterprises, consumer goods, sector advisors, donors and NGOs;
- Excellent verbal & written communication skills, including presentation skills and technical report writing;
- Ability to operate in a multi-cultural environment;
- Ability and willingness to travel and work on short assignments in the UK and internationally.

Highly desirable:

- Existing network of connections within the consumer goods sector;
- Working knowledge of another language (especially Portuguese, French, Spanish, Chinese or Bahasa Indonesia).

4. Salary

Salary will be commensurate with experience, likely in the range of £40,000 - £55,000

5. To apply

Please send your CV and a cover letter (1 - 3 pages in total) explaining your suitability for the position to cv@bvrrio.org. Please include your salary expectations and confirmation that you are eligible to work in the UK.

Application Deadline: 5th December 2020

Please note that early applications are advised, as we are seeking to appoint ASAP. Interviews will be conducted on an ongoing basis and so we may close the vacancy sooner if a suitable candidate is found.

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