



**Gold Standard**<sup>®</sup>

*Climate Security & Sustainable Development*

**TERMS OF REFERENCE**

**MANAGER (ENERGY), STANDARDS**

*Date* 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2021

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*Position Title* Manager (Energy), Standards  
(reports to the Chief Technical Officer)

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*Position Location* Remote working Europe-based

## **General Terms of Reference**

Gold Standard is a standards body and thought leader that promotes the best that can be achieved in climate and development projects. It was established in 2003 by [WWF](#) and other international NGOs as a best practice standard to ensure projects that reduced carbon emissions under the UN's Clean Development Mechanism (CDM) also delivered sustainable development benefits. Gold Standard now has a broad NGO Supporter Network and 1400+ projects in over 80 countries, creating billions of dollars of shared value from climate and development action worldwide.

The Gold Standard Foundation seeks a highly motivated individual to join our technical team, reporting to the Technical Director. This is a full-time position responsible for leading the work on standard updates and methodology development related to energy and waste management projects portfolio to align with Gold Standard's strategy & policy and new market developments.

## **Primary Responsibilities – Development**

1. Manage the review and approval process for new methodologies submitted for Gold Standard approval under energy and waste management scope. This includes presenting draft findings to Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) after inputs from Gold Standard Secretariat, expert reviewers and SustainCERT, as required
2. Manage drafting, review and approval process for standard rule updates and clarifications, which involves close co-ordination with Energy-TAC
3. Responsible for timely preparation of E-TAC agendas and minutes with inputs from the Technical Director
4. Responsible for managing Standard updates in line with requirements of ISEAL Standard Setting Code. Ensure outcomes and impacts (at Standard level) are regularly monitored and reported in line with Impacts Code. This includes preparation of required forms and documents for evaluation by ISEAL on annual basis
5. Participate in review (QA/QC) of energy and waste management projects submitted for Gold Standard certification on sample basis
6. Lead drafting of Terms of Reference (ToRs) and investigation reports for grievances received

7. Manage timely review and decisions on deviation requests submitted by Project Developers
8. Conduct research and draft reports/deliverables on key topics related to standards development as from time to time required by the Technical Director
9. Manage specifically defined projects to update the standard in line with key strategic objectives
10. Represent Gold Standard at key external events, including conferences and workshops from time to time, as required

### **Required Skills and Experience**

- 7-8 years of demonstrated carbon markets experience including thorough technical understanding of CDM, voluntary carbon standards and new developments post-Paris Agreement
- Deep technical understanding of projects concerning energy processes particularly in renewable energy generation, household energy efficiency, solid waste and wastewater management sectors **is essential**
- Wide knowledge on climate finance, environmental markets and the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)
- Demonstrated organisational and time management skills, with an eye for detail
- Languages: the working language of the Foundation is English; fluency required. Other languages an asset
- Ability to work under pressure and juggle multiple tasks and projects
- A good team player with a positive outlook on work and a desire to make a difference in the world
- Good collaboration and communication skills with the ability to work with a range of staff based all around the world
- The ability to work legally in region stated
- Competence in MS office tools

### **Salary Range**

The salary for this role will be commensurate with qualifications and experience.

## **Closing Date**

Applications for this role will **close on Saturday 22 May 2021**. We regret that we cannot confirm receipt of your application by email. Successful candidates will be contacted for an interview.

## **Applications**

Please submit a 1-page cover letter explaining why you want to work for the Gold Standard and a CV to [recruitment@goldstandard.org](mailto:recruitment@goldstandard.org). (Ref: Manager (Energy), Standards)