Ellen MacArthur Foundation
Senior Expert, Finance Initiative
UK based

To solve big problems like climate change, waste, and pollution, we need a big idea. It’s time to rethink how we design, make, and use the things we need, from the food we eat to the clothes we wear. The Ellen MacArthur Foundation is a charity committed to building a circular economy, so we can create a better future for business, society and the natural world.

This is an exciting opportunity for someone with reporting and/or standard setting expertise, proven multi-stakeholder engagement experience, and keen interest in financial services (banking, insurance and/or investment) to join our Finance Initiative team.

The Foundation’s Finance Initiative aims to scale finance for the circular economy. It currently focuses on three mutually reinforcing activity areas: promoting the concept of the circular economy within the finance sector; ensuring the integration of the circular economy into leading disclosure and measurement initiatives; and, working with close partners to support uptake and implementation of the circular economy within the finance sector.

While this position will mostly focus on the second activity area, the role will also involve aspects of the other two strands, as well as interaction with other Foundation programmes.

**Role & Responsibilities**
You will work with a variety of stakeholders including policymakers, financial institutions, corporates, NGOs and international organisations to inform national and international standard setting efforts for sustainability reporting (e.g. EU and IFRS processes), with the aim of integrating circular economy concepts and metrics in a comprehensive and ambitious way. You will also inform and/or develop collaborations with existing non-financial reporting organisations and investor alliances to support these efforts.

**Main areas of work**
- Informing leading reporting and/or standard setting from a circular economy perspective, as well as establishing and reinforcing the interconnection between circular economy and climate change, biodiversity loss, waste, pollution and other systemic challenges.
- Coordinating international outreach, alliance building and stakeholder management, including engagement with policymakers, international organisations, financial institutions, and NGOs
- Representing the Foundation at international meetings and events, which could involve domestic and international travel
- Drafting of position papers and/or policy briefings, working together with other Foundation programmes and/or external stakeholders and drawing on existing Foundation knowledge/papers
- Supporting the alignment of existing internal circular economy knowledge and tools, in particular Circulytics, with international frameworks
- Providing input into the broader Finance Initiative strategy and approach

**Person specification**
- Experience of working in the field of sustainability/non-financial reporting and/or standard setting essential
- Project management experience with proven capability of managing multiple projects in parallel with tight deadlines, ensuring high-quality results, and effectively collaborating with various different internal functions and departments.
- Relationship management experience, particularly in the context of global, multi-stakeholder initiatives; the ability to interact effectively with individuals at various management levels across a variety of organisations and geographies.
- Communication and facilitation skills, including public speaking; evidence of having written engaging documents.
- Strong analytical skills and attention to detail; ability to process and summarise complex information, adapting it to legal/policy proposals and standard-setting work
- A minimum of 5 years of relevant work experience
- Excellent written and spoken English

**Please apply with CV and covering letter to Barbara Calland (barbara@ellenmacarthurfoundation.org)**

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<td>Salary package:</td>
<td>Circa £50k per year dependent on experience together with generous holiday allowance, flexible working options, gym membership and multiple training opportunities.</td>
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<td>Location:</td>
<td>Remote (UK-based), with regular travel to and from Cowes (dependent on current COVID-19 restrictions), or based in Cowes, Isle of Wight.</td>
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**What we do**
The Ellen MacArthur Foundation develops and promotes the idea of a circular economy. We work with, and inspire, business, academia, policymakers, and institutions to mobilise systems solutions at scale, globally.

Our mission is to accelerate the transition to a circular economy. Our vision is a new economic system that delivers better outcomes for people and the environment. Business models, products, and materials are designed to increase use and reuse, replicating the balance of the natural world, where nothing becomes waste and everything has value. A circular economy, increasingly built on renewable energy and materials, is distributed, diverse, and inclusive.

If you would like to learn more about the Ellen MacArthur Foundation or the circular economy, please visit [www.ellenmacarthurfoundation.org](http://www.ellenmacarthurfoundation.org)

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status, pregnancy or maternity, race, colour, nationality, ethnic or national origin, religion or belief, sex or sexual orientation or any other characteristic protected by the laws or regulations in the locations where we operate.