

Project Managers 'Energy Systems'

Location is Berlin

This job posting will remain open until we have found suitable candidates.

1. Background

The Renewables Grid Initiative is a unique collaboration of NGOs and TSOs from across Europe. We promote transparent, environmentally sensitive grid development to enable a steady growth of renewable energy and the energy transition. RGI facilitates the exchange between our Members and further stakeholders to come up with

- a) new approaches on how to plan and build the grid infrastructure needed for the energy transition, while defending environmental safeguards and fully recognising societal concerns related to the development of large infrastructure and
- b) new and more progressive political positions related to the operation of the electricity grid in a fast-changing environment.

2. Specific tasks

RGI is looking to hire two project managers, who will primarily work on the PAC 2.0 project. The following list of tasks will be split amongst the two future members of staff according to their profile/experience.

The Project Managers Energy Systems will work on the following projects and tasks:

PAC 2.0: [The PAC project](#) – Paris Agreement Compatible Scenarios for Energy Infrastructure – has been established to develop a future energy scenario for Europe, which is compatible with the Paris Agreement, and to improve stakeholder input into the European TYNDP scenario process. This project enters into a second phase in which the following tasks have to be covered:

- An organised engagement with consumers (e.g. industry, regions) to discuss how ambitious energy scenarios can be implemented from their perspective
- Sharing generated insights with relevant actors, such as the ENTSOs, DG Energy and Environment, ACER and the NGO community
- Organising Modellers' Exchange workshops, focussing on how modelling can be adjusted to reflect the complexities of the future energy system
- Converting analytical insights of the project into communication material and policy briefs for the sake of our different audiences
- International dissemination and learning: e.g. informing initiatives such as the IRENA Coalition for Action network, engagement with the International Energy Agency modelling group, for a peer-to-peer exchange of non-European TSOs with European TSOs, liaising with the International Department of the German Federal Ministry for Economic Affairs and Energy to investigate opportunities and support actions which feed relevant project insights into G7, G20 and the Clean Energy Ministerial

- Contributing to international capacity building on the role of grid infrastructure in the decarbonisation process, scenario development and collaborative engagement approaches run by the project partner REN21.
- Sharing insights gained via international engagement with European partners by organising suitable meetings and events.
- Operational lead of the PAC collaboration of two European NGO networks, REN21 and RGI.

Advocacy work focussing on the following tasks:

- Following political developments at the EU level which relate to activities of the PAC project (e.g. relevant elements of the Fit for 55 package, TEN-E regulation, TYNDP process)
- Feeding relevant insights gained from the international exchange into RGI's advocacy work
- Working on the development of RGI's consultation input where appropriate, together with RGI's advocacy lead

The candidate should generally also be prepared to:

- Develop new multi-stakeholder projects (establishment of new collaborations) and raise funds for such ideas
- Facilitate cooperation and collaborative processes leading to new solutions (similar to the role of a consortium manager) and
- Document and disseminate generated insights across Europe and internationally.

3. Qualifications

Candidates should have:

- Relevant working experience of at least three years, ideally with an international component.
- Knowledge of the energy system and in particular electricity with a sound understanding of energy scenario development and modelling.
- An understanding of expectations of different stakeholder groups involved in and/or affected by the energy transition.
- Experience in speaking in front of larger audiences.
- The availability to travel (nationally, at EU level and internationally).
- Excellent written and verbal communication skills in English; at least one further European language highly desirable, especially German.
- An ability to learn fast, to quickly understand new complex issues and to work fully independently.
- A convincing personality with a strong capacity to build up trustful relationships.
- Become a respected discussion partner for stakeholders from the TSO/private sector as well as from the NGO/non-profit sector.

Additional advantages are:

- Energy modelling background
- Insights into the debate of European grid development in the context of the energy transition.
- Experience with EU funded projects.

4. What we offer

- We are a small, highly international and diverse team, continuously inventing something new.
- We work with our Members from 11 European countries and at European level.
- We are operating at the heart of an exciting industry that is currently undergoing a massive transformation.
- We work at the interface of the corporate energy world, non-governmental organisations and the policy world.
- RGI is an equal opportunity employer.

5. Your application

Please address your application to Antonella Battaglini, the CEO of RGI. Include a CV, responses to the two questions under item 6 below and a letter of motivation (1 page) in which you indicate expected salary, your first possible available date and references. Moreover, please indicate where you came across this job advertisement.

Please send your full application to jobs@renewables-grid.eu, indicating whether you are vaccinated against COVID-19, so we can plan personal interviews accordingly.

The contract will initially run for three years with the option of prolonging it. Our offices are based in Berlin. Office presence is expected for all employees, if the corona rules allow. Flexibility and home office options are provided. For the selection process, personal interviews are planned, and invited candidates will be required to show a green pass or a negative COVID-19 test.

Only candidates with the required qualifications will receive feedback to their application.

6. Questions

Please give an example of you developing and/or managing a multi-stakeholder project. What were the specific challenges, how did you overcome them? (max. half a page)

Why do you think an organisation like RGI looks into energy scenario development and modelling of grid systems? (max. half a page)