

## **POSITION DESCRIPTION**

POSITION TITLE:	Associate – Sustainability Insights	LOCATION:	Brisbane/Sydney
DEPARTMENT	Portfolio Management	REPORTS TO:	ESD Advisor

## **PURPOSE AND SCOPE**

The CEFC is a specialist investor in clean energy, working across the Australian economy to lower our carbon emissions. We're responsible for investing \$10 billion in renewable energy, energy efficiency and low emissions technologies.

We're a leading investor in large-scale solar and wind projects, and our investments are also bringing the benefits of clean energy to our cities, the agriculture and manufacturing sectors, community housing, cleaner transport and more. Through the Clean Energy Innovation Fund we're proud to be Australia's largest investor in clean tech startups. Across our portfolio, we deliver a positive return for taxpayers

Recent projects that the CEFC has invested in include the development and upgrade of large institutional investor property and infrastructure portfolios. Our counterparty programs include, for example, reduced operational emissions targets, net zero emissions commitments and other sustainability co-benefits across a range of asset classes, and the role includes not only the responsibility of setting of program targets, but also the management and delivery of these obligations.

Working in a dynamic team environment at the cutting edge of clean energy and energy efficiency in the built environment and infrastructure sectors, the candidate will glean insights from our program counter parties to disseminate to industry and be an advisor for energy efficiency and clean energy initiatives.

Key responsibilities will be to gather and update insights for the energy efficiency programs and work with the CEFC's Investment Origination Team to develop clean energy and energy efficiency programs with potential partners and then work with Portfolio Management to directly manage these programs post financial close. The candidate will also coordinate our knowledge sharing and influencing program which aims to accelerate the dissemination of our program partner's learnings from our investment portfolio to the broader market and other stakeholders.

The role holder will work across the CEFC's built environment platforms including Property, Infrastructure, Social & Affordable Housing, Industrial and Manufacturing, Universities and Local Councils.

## **KEY RELATIONSHIPS**

Internal: Portfolio Management, Investment Origination Team, Legal, Research and Marketing teams

**External**: Project Partners (which could include building owners/developers, REITs and/or technology providers), industry peak bodies, government stakeholders and industry advisers

## **DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES**

As a key CEFC contact in relation to clean energy and energy efficiency solutions and program management across the built environment and infrastructure sectors, duties will include:

- Manage and coordinate our knowledge sharing and influencing program. The program aims to
  accelerate the adoption of clean energy and energy efficiency in the built environment and
  infrastructure sectors. Working with counter parties to gather lessons learnt and collaborate with
  internal stakeholders to disseminate our knowledge, which could be in the form of case studies to
  external events or invitational seminars. In addition, develop a monitoring and reporting mechanism of
  our knowledge sharing activities to demonstrate our influencing capabilities for both industry
  participants and policy makers.
- Managing programs agreed as part of our investment activities on an ongoing basis and acting as a contact point for Program partners. This includes gathering lessons learnt and performance tracking

related to on-going counterparty commitments to achieve energy efficiency and clean energy outcomes and includes quarterly Partner discussions, reviewing reports and other carbon abatement opportunities

- Working with the Investment Origination Team in the negotiation and development of clean energy and energy efficiency programs linked to investment activities including (however, not necessarily limited to):
  - Setting ambitious but commercially viable energy efficiency targets applicable to particular sectors and/or projects with focus themes on driving sectors towards net zero buildings, as an example
  - Clean energy initiatives, including incorporation of solar/battery solutions and/or embedded networks, for example
  - Embodied energy and construction techniques with emission reduction outcomes and which look to influence supply chain of such materials
- Working with internal Marketing, Communications and Research teams to ensure key lessons learnt are made available in the public domain and the maximum potential is achieved with our knowledge sharing and influencing instrument
- Evaluation of bespoke project eligibility assessments, and evolution of CEFC's product offering based on Partners potential financing needs
- Acting as a facilitator to connect relevant CEFC counterparties and networks to identify and catalyse
  mutually beneficial partnerships opportunities, for example connecting CEFC's supply and demand
  side project proponents
- Assist with ESG matters and opportunities for the organisation, and possible accreditation scheme which look to support the organisations strategic direction.
- Manage our NCOS carbon footprint submission and accreditation and look to influence employee behavior through educational sessions and identify energy saving opportunities for the business
- Collaborate with industry stakeholders and recognised authorities (both within Australia and globally)
  regarding standards/technology trends to ensure the CEFC is adequately informed and
  knowledgeable with regards to sector challenges, changes and opportunities and can offer insights
  from a finance perspective to inform and improve take up.

## **SKILLS**

- Familiarity with a range of energy efficiency and clean energy related performance standards and rating schemes able to be applied across multiple sectors in the built environment.
- Experience in a managing and coordinating a knowledge sharing and influencing program or similar and can work effectively and collaboratively across multiple internal business areas to ensure a successful program delivery
- Working knowledge, and accreditation where relevant, of schemes such as Green Star, NABERS, NatHERS, GRESB, Infrastructure Sustainability Ratings (ISCA) tool, NCC Section J. With knowledge regarding SDGs, TCFD and ERF methodologies an advantage
- Demonstrable experience evaluating technical feasibility and potential outcomes for various energy efficiency and clean energy technologies
- Able to translate and communicate the benefits of various energy efficiency and clean energy initiatives and targets to partners.
- Expert knowledge of; building services techniques and their relationships, construction timeline and stakeholders and procurement methods
- Familiarity with common measurement and verification approaches used to demonstrate energy efficient and clean energy project and ratings outcomes
- Ability to effectively link various technically possible options to commercial outcomes, with the capability to succinctly report evaluation of these options to a senior audience

- High attention to detail, very organised with effective time management skills who can work autonomously with varying priorities
- Excellent written, verbal and interpersonal communication skills.

# **QUALIFICATIONS / EXPERIENCE**

- At least 3+ years' professional experience working in an energy focussed Sustainability or ESD consultant role
- Preferably an engineering or science-based degree, with evidence of combined commercial acumen
- NABERS, GSAP, ISAP accreditation an advantage