

Job Title: Senior Climate Programme Manager
Working For: Conservative Environment Network
Location: London
Salary: £39,000-£44,000
Length of Contract: Permanent

Job Details

The Conservative Environment Network (CEN) is the independent forum for conservatives in the UK and around the world who support net zero, nature restoration, and resource security.

We are looking for a strategically-minded and committed individual to lead our influential climate programme, supporting our UK parliamentary caucus, Scottish parliamentary group, and councillor network to develop and champion conservative, market-led policy solutions that will deliver net zero and accelerate clean growth.

This is an exciting and critical time to be shaping climate policy within the conservative movement. After the general election, CEN is focused on keeping the environment central to conservatism and demonstrating the importance of the environment to the centre-right's electoral success.

CEN's climate programme has a strong track record of influencing the conservative climate policy debate. The successful candidate will help us build on this success, holding the new government to account on their more statist approach to net zero, developing popular conservative climate campaigns, and ensuring support for climate policies remains strong across the conservative movement.

This role is ideal for a policy researcher or public affairs professional with a minimum of two years' experience working in or around the UK conservative movement and a strong awareness of UK climate policy.

The successful applicant will:

- Line manage CEN's climate programme officer
- Research, write, and edit parliamentary briefings, policy options papers, and letters on climate issues
- Maintain an extensive network of climate policy experts from across academia, NGOs, and think tanks
- Monitor and engage with new research and campaigns in climate policy
- Design and execute effective climate policy campaigns

- Manage engagement with the CEN caucus on climate issues, responding to their queries on policy, providing advice, and supporting their parliamentary climate campaigns
- Manage engagement with the CEN councillor network on climate issues, writing briefings and articles and supporting the delivery of webinars
- Manage and grow CEN's engagement with conservatives in devolved parliaments on climate issues
- Support the Director in representing CEN in the media on climate issues, including doing broadcast interviews, writing regular blogs, and authoring op-eds
- Support the Director on fundraising for the climate programme

Person specification:

- A passion for conservative environmentalism
- Experience of working with Conservative parliamentarians
- Good awareness of UK climate policy debates and policy analysis skills
- Line management experience
- Passionate about working collaboratively in a small team
- Excellent writing skills
- Strong political judgement
- An ability to think strategically and identify opportunities to advance CEN's mission
- Excellent interpersonal and verbal communication skills, and an ability to form and maintain extensive stakeholder networks

Benefits of working at CEN:

- Annual leave entitlement of 33 days, including bank holidays
- Office closure between Christmas and New Year
- Yearly book allowance
- Annual team building away day
- Relaxed working environment and casual office dress code
- One day of volunteering leave per year
- Cycle to work scheme
- Automatic and immediate right to request flexible working
- Unlimited coffee and teas, and free beers and soft drinks on Thursdays and Fridays
- Employer pension contribution of 5%

CEN values diversity, and wants our team to represent all parts of our community. We aim to appoint the most suitable candidate at all times and welcome applications from people from all different backgrounds.

For more details, please visit cen.uk.com/our-jobs

Closing Date: Tuesday 1st October at 5pm.

Interview/Start Dates

We will invite a small number of successful applicants to submit a written task, and the best of these will be invited to an interview, taking place w/c 7th October. This will involve a discussion of your motivations for applying, relevant past experience, and awareness of climate policy and politics.

Application Details

Please submit your CV and a one-page cover letter to Sam Hall at CEN, at sam.hall@cen.uk.com

Website: <http://www.cen.uk.com>