Junior Analyst (d/f/m) Sustainable Finance & Deforestation



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Application Deadline: Please apply at your earliest convenience and latest **by May 5, 2023**. We will start conducting interviews as soon as we receive strong applications. Please include in your application a detailed CV, a short motivation letter, and indicate your earliest start date as well as the desired number of hours. Please send your application to <a href="mailto:mai

Period: Starting from May/June 2023 (or later). Availability for at least 6 months (ideally longer) and at least 10 hours/week.

Location: Remote (we are spread all over Europe with some 'clusters' in Amsterdam, Berlin and Leipzig).

Project. This position would support the project <u>Financing Sustainable Land Use to Combat Deforestation</u>, funded by the Gordon and Betty Moore foundation. We are looking for someone to support us in a work package that envisions a data analysis / methodology to make deforestation-free portfolios a reality, running from March 2023 – September 2024.

Context. Currently, the level of deforestation around the world is dangerously high despite international pledges aimed at combating ecosystem loss. This poses a real threat to the environment and humanity by severely impacting biodiversity, the carbon capture capacity of forests, the spread of diseases and pandemics, and more. Such large-scale ecosystem degradation poses an equally great threat to the global economy, which relies to an enormous extent on ecosystem services. Our endeavours address the financial sector as the key driver of economic decision-making. A few leading financial institutions have recently <u>pledged</u> to actively tackle deforestation in their portfolios. Combined with ambitious regulation, financial institutions can drive change by divesting from or engaging with high-impact companies.

Join us! It will be fun!

Your tasks:

- Literature research (screening academic literature, grey literature, or regulatory documents).
- Supporting the team in analysing open-source and commercial firm-level data (such as <u>Refinitiv</u>) and geodata¹ (for example, location-specific data on the intactness of ecosystems in certain locations).
- Assist the team in writing concept notes.
- Working with data and creating descriptive statistics and overviews.

 $^{^1}$ Read this report for a general overview on geodata: WWF (2022). Geospatial ESG ($\underline{\text{link}}\text{)}$

Requirements:

- You are currently pursuing a university degree with a focus on (environmental) economics, statistics; or on the natural sciences (geoecology, agriculture, land use) or related fields (you must be enrolled);
- You have an interest in "sustainable finance" (i.e., how the financial sector can be "part of the solution");
- You are confident in MS Excel and generally willing to work with data. Experience with data processing, data analysis, and/or (statistical) programming is a plus;
- You have an analytical mind and are not put off by technical guidelines or methodologies;
- You have excellent written and verbal English skills; German is an asset;
- You are able to work independently as well as in a team;

We encourage you to apply **even if you do not meet all the requirements** so we can get to know you during the interview process.

Climate & Company is Germany's leading Sustainable Finance Think Tank. We are a group of mission-driven experts on climate and biodiversity finance and policy from key EU institutions, the academic world and the banking and investment sectors. As a team, we make sustainable development a reality by acting as bridge-builders between the private and public sectors, supporting evidence-based policymaking, and creating international partnerships for target actions and fora for international knowledge exchange. Our goal is to enable a green and just transition by unleashing the power of data and financial tools. Are you with us on our mission for a just and green tomorrow?

For more information about our sustainable finance think tank, visit our <u>website</u> or <u>LinkedIn</u>. As we are a remote-first company, the position would take place remotely (with the possibility to meet occasionally; we have an office space in Berlin/Potsdam).

As we strive to be as diverse as possible, we prioritise applications from people from different racial and ethnic groups, people with disabilities, and people of all genders and sexual orientations, if they are equally qualified. Diversity and inclusion are at the core of our values as a team. If you wish to make us aware of any special needs you may have during and beyond your hiring process, please let us know in your application.

Thank you for your interest!