

Position Specification

Global Risk Institute in Financial Services

Sustainable Finance Manager

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Position	Sustainable Finance Manager
Company	Global Risk Institute in Financial Services
Location	55 University Avenue, Suite 1801 Toronto, Ontario M5J 2H7
Reporting Relationship	Senior Director, Sustainable Finance
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COMPANY BACKGROUND / CULTURE

The Global Risk Institute (GRI) is a premier organization that defines thought leadership in risk management for the financial industry. GRI brings together leaders from industry, academia, and government to draw actionable insights on risks globally.

The organization was founded in 2010 as a result of efforts by the financial industry, the Bank of Canada and the provincial and federal governments to build capacity to manage and prevent risks within Canada's financial institutions and to build a global profile for the industry. There were 16 founding financial institutions, with the Governments of Canada, Ontario, TD Bank Group and Manulife Financial acting as core sponsors.

Through engagement activities with its member institutions, GRI builds integrated risk management capacity for private and public sector professionals. It also acts as a hub, stimulating evidence-based debate among regulators, practitioners and academics engaged in risk. GRI's objectives are to:

- Build risk management capacity in the financial services industry
- Leverage our convening capability to foster effective conversations among the public and private financial sectors
- Deepen and broaden our collective understanding of financial industry risks through research, education, and events
- Continue to expand our financial industry membership reach and engagement, while building our brand in risk management

GRI has become the leading forum for ideas, engagement and emerging trends in risk management in the financial services sector and is well positioned for the future. Through ongoing growth in its partnerships, membership and programming, GRI continues to build strong connections, provide critical research, education and events for risk leaders globally.

KEY RESPONSIBILITIES

The Sustainable Finance Manager will support and accelerate the practice of climate risk management and the development of the sustainable finance market in Canada by taking a central role in GRI's programs and partnerships.

The Manager will support GRI's financial sector membership base directly, and broadly influence and share knowledge among key stakeholders such as government, academia, wider industry, and others. The Manager will contribute to GRI's research, education and engagement programs by identifying cutting edge practices relating to climate risk and sustainable finance and supporting members with implementation and practical application.

The Manager reports to the Senior Director, Sustainable Finance and works closely with a small team of GRI staff and Executives in Residence to advance climate risk knowledge and practice for GRI members and partners.

Specific responsibilities include:

The Manager will undertake activities to drive the ongoing outreach, education, and implementation of climate risk management best practice, as well as support the development of the sustainable finance market in Canada. Activities will include, but are not limited to:

- Undertake research to support the developing field of climate risk management, with a focus on topics such as risk identification, assessment and scenario analysis, and metrics and targets. Outputs will include executive briefings, best practice guidance, thought leadership and content for GRI's education programs and engagements
- Track the development of the sustainable finance market in Canada and internationally, including the use of standards and taxonomies, and provide regular analysis and insight for GRI's members and partners
- Support the Canadian governments' stated aim to achieve mandatory climate-related financial disclosures by increasing capacity in the private sector for reporting and sharing insights with stakeholders and policymakers
- Develop research and partnerships that demonstrate practical approaches to achieving net zero carbon emissions portfolio alignment
- Support GRI's work to advance climate risk oversight and sustainable finance leadership for board directors, including tracking and analyzing government and investor expectations for boards on these issues
- Contribute to the development of the enabling environment for climate risk and sustainable finance by advancing key issues such as climate data for financial analysis, standards for management and reporting, and policy development
- Provide input and support to various government and regulatory agencies on how to align and accelerate climate risk and sustainable finance

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE/QUALIFICATIONS

The successful candidate will have 5-8 years of experience in financial services, with experience in green or sustainable finance, ESG investing or social and environmental risk management. You must be motivated to help tackle the challenges and harness the opportunities that a changing climate pose to banks, insurance and pension funds.

If you have the following skills and attributes, we would be interested in hearing from you:

- 5-8 years' experience in financial services
- Strong and demonstrated understanding of sustainable finance, such as with green bonds or ESG investment, and/or experience with social and environmental risk management
- Demonstrated understanding and interest in the financial impacts and opportunities of climate change, and the role of private finance in driving climate and sustainability outcomes
- Strong research and analytical skills
- Ability to document and present findings in a clear and concise manner for executives, and distill complex ideas into succinct summaries
- Superior communication skills and ability to interact with senior executives and partners
- Excellent time management skills and ability to work independently towards deadlines
- Proficient with Microsoft Office (Word, Excel, PowerPoint, Teams) and web-based business tools
- Attention to detail with the ability to work independently, prioritize, and multi-task

EDUCATION

University degree in business, finance or risk management. Advanced degrees (MFRM, MBA, MSc., etc.) are an asset as are CFA or similar designations

COMPENSATION

A competitive compensation package.

TO APPLY

Please provide a short cover letter telling us why you're a great fit for the organization and this role. Include your resume and submit the package by **Friday September 03, 2021** to:

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Please note that only candidates selected for an interview will be contacted