Terms of Reference

Senior Advisor for Resource Development (2 years)

Description

The Carnegie Climate Geoengineering Governance Initiative (C2G2) is an initiative hosted by the Carnegie Council for Ethics in International Affairs (CCEIA) to catalyze the creation of effective governance for climate geoengineering technologies (large-scale carbon removal and solar geoengineering technologies) by shifting the conversation from the scientific and research community to the global policy-making arena, and by encouraging a broader, society-wide discussion about the risks, potential benefits, ethical and governance challenges raised at every stage of their development, including research, testing, and any consideration of deployment. Founded in 1914 by Andrew Carnegie, CCEIA is an institution with global reach which for over 100 years, has promoted voices for ethics in international relations, education, and policy.

C2G2, as part of its external affairs outreach is seeking to hire an experienced Senior Advisor for Resource Development who would lead efforts to secure public funding for its work beyond this year. The position can be located anywhere in the world. The position would start as soon as possible after 1 September 2018.

Context

Geoengineering is defined as intentional planetary-scale intervention in the Earth system to reduce the risks of climate change and includes both large-scale carbon removal and solar geoengineering. There is increasing interest in climate geoengineering as the challenge of staying well below 2°C above preindustrial levels and pursuing efforts to limit the temperature increase to 1.5°C above pre-industrial levels - as called for in the 2015 Paris Agreement, - becomes more apparent. Geoengineering would have significant, long-term, planetary-wide consequences for this and future generations. No comprehensive governance framework(s) exist for their effective management, which, given their impacts, fundamentally requires multilateral governance. Yet policymakers around the world have yet little if any understanding of these technologies and their governance needs.

There is an urgent need for a broad, inclusive global discussion on how to govern the research, possible testing and deployment of these emerging technologies. The C2G2 Initiative is shifting this discussion from academia to the national and intergovernmental policy community, through systematic engagement with government representatives, intergovernmental organisations, civil society organisations, the private sector, and other non-state actors. C2G2 is impartial. It is not for or against the research, testing or potential use of geoengineering. We believe that is a decision society must take, and that the risks of having this conversation now are far less than not doing so.

C2G2 is currently supported by private foundations that invested early in the need to support a ground-breaking initiative of this nature. Based on the success of C2G2’s progress to date in catalysing action on governance, it is clear that governments need to be the primary actors in addressing these issues, and therefore also need to be the source of funding for future work. Current philanthropic donors support this stance, with the expectation that C2G2’s continued success in catalysing the international governance of geoengineering depends on it receiving public resources.

Responsibilities
Under the overall guidance of the Executive Director of C2G2, and in collaboration with members of C2G2’s Senior Management Group, the incumbent will be responsible for the following:

1. **Create, lead and execute a fund-raising strategy** to secure significant, multi-million US Dollar public funding for the period 2019-2022 to complement philanthropic funding;
2. Building on existing C2G2 relationships with relevant government entities, **establish new relationships necessary for resource mobilisation with senior policymakers in government as well as with senior actors in government donor agencies**;
3. **Actively advise and collaborate regularly with C2G2 staff**, in particular those engaged in government outreach activities;
4. **Guide the preparation of fundraising documentation and processes including reporting**.

**Location**

Candidate can be based in any location in the world, as C2G2 operates as a virtual team physically working in various locations worldwide. High-speed internet connection essential and location within 2 hours of a major international airport highly desirable.

**Qualifications**

- Experience in successfully raising significant, multi-year funding from governments for climate change/sustainable development related work, preferably for activities by non-governmental entities;
- Extensive, senior-level professional network with donor agencies and government contacts, in particular in G20 and OECD countries;
- Minimum 15 years of professional experience with or within national governments and intergovernmental organisations on issues of sustainable development, and in particular, climate change;
- Excellent leadership skills, stature, confidence and political acumen; strong self-motivation and initiative; as well as excellent English skills are needed to initiate and build successful relationships with senior government actors around the world;
- Experience working in a global and virtual team, knowledge of the governance of emerging technologies; and multiple language skills all desirable.

**Remuneration and Benefits**

Depending on availability and profile of the candidate, a contract can be offered that may range between an average 2 days per week to full-time over the two-year period, starting as soon as possible after 1 September 2018. C2G2 will be able to provide a competitive remuneration package commensurate with such a senior position, depending on the level of experience of the incumbent relevant for this work. Resources for necessary travel will be available. The incumbent will work from home base, plus undertake requisite travel.

Note that the incumbent will become part of the C2G2 virtual global team during this period. From an administrative perspective, the work will be undertaken as an independent contractor of CCEIA.

Applications from suitable candidates should be sent to vacancy@c2g2.net by not later than 30 August 2018. Female candidates from the Global South are strongly encouraged to apply.

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