

## Manager, Financial Institutions Net-Zero

**Location** UK, Europe and North America

### Job Purpose and Background

The Science Based Targets initiative (SBTi) is looking for an outstanding individual to lead the process to develop the Financial Institutions Net-Zero Standard – the standard for financial institutions to set net-zero targets in line with climate science. Once the standard is developed, they will act as “product owner” for the standard and take ownership of its integration and maintenance.

### About you

The SBTi is seeking a dedicated, mission-driven individual to join the highly motivated Standards Team at the Science Based Targets initiative. You will have strong technical and applied knowledge of GHG accounting and climate target-setting in the finance sector, as well as excellent project management and team leadership skills.

### About the SBTi

The Science Based Targets initiative (SBTi) is a global body enabling businesses to set ambitious emissions reductions targets in line with the latest climate science. It is focused on accelerating companies across the world to halve emissions before 2030 and achieve net-zero emissions before 2050.

The initiative is a collaboration between CDP, the United Nations Global Compact, World Resources Institute (WRI) and the World Wide Fund for Nature (WWF) and one of the We Mean Business Coalition commitments. The SBTi defines and promotes best practice in science-based target setting, offers resources and guidance to reduce barriers to adoption, and independently assesses and approves companies’ targets. For more information please visit [www.sciencebasedtargets.org](http://www.sciencebasedtargets.org)

**How to apply:** We are looking for this position in collaboration with Climate17, to apply please submit your resume, cover letter and salary expectations to Kris Koby: [Kris@climate17.com](mailto:Kris@climate17.com)

### Key responsibilities include:

- Leading the standard-setting process for the Financial Institutions Net-Zero Standard, according to SBTi Procedures and aligning with ISEAL Codes of Good Practice
- Directly managing the FI Net-Zero Project Officer, and working cross-functionally, between the Standards and Financial Institutions teams, as well as wider teams within the SBTi
- Acting as “product owner” for the Financial Institutions Net-Zero Standard, taking responsibility for its integration throughout the wider initiative as well as its maintenance over time
- Building capacity by delivering training within the SBTi, its validation body, and with external stakeholders
- Overseeing and / or contributing to new projects to develop standards for the finance sector

### Essential skills and experience needed:

- Experience in science-based targets, greenhouse gas accounting, preferably in line with the GHG Protocol/PCAF, and climate strategy for financial institutions
- Broad understanding of financial institutions and the role each sector (banking, insurance, private equity, asset management, etc.) plays in the delivery of financial services to different end-users
- Keen understanding of the drivers for and practical challenges of implementing climate action strategies across investment and financial asset portfolios
- Strong project management and leadership skills
- Excellent verbal and written communication skills, including the ability to make complex technical subjects accessible to non-expert audiences
- Proven ability to work collaboratively in a culturally and geographically diverse professional environment
- A self-starter with the confidence to lead a complex standard-setting process

### Desirable criteria:

- Knowledge and experience working with ISEAL Codes of Good Practice
- Experience in convening complex, multi-stakeholder processes. Ideally experience in sustainability standard setting processes;
- High proficiency in Excel and PowerPoint
- Work experience related to ESG investing
- Experience working in a loose management environment across multiple organizations

### What we offer:

- This is a full-time role based in UK, Europe or North America
- This role is a fixed-term contract for 12 months with the possibility of extension
- Working for one of the most successful and fastest-growing initiatives driving climate action
- Exciting and challenging tasks in a dynamic, international, innovative, and highly motivated team
- Salary Range dependent on location & level of experience.
- Training and development
- Attractive holiday package

Interested candidates should be legally allowed to work in the countries specified. The SBTi cannot sponsor any working visas.

SBTi is an equal-opportunity employer - committed to building an inclusive workplace and diverse staff where all can thrive. We welcome and strongly encourage applications from candidates of all identities and backgrounds and do not discriminate based on race, colour, religion, gender or gender identity, sexual orientation, national origin, disability, or age.