Sector Lead, Industry or Energy, Science-Based Targets initiative (SBTi)

Location: Remote worldwide, but with a preference for the UK, Germany, USA, Mexico, France

Job Purpose and Background:

The postholder will work to help develop technical resources, guidance, and tools to drive the adoption of climate targets in line with the ambition required to limit warming to 1.5°C with a special focus on the industry sectors. Core responsibilities will be to lead the projects to develop guidance to inform 1.5°C-aligned targets in the industrial sectors (especially chemicals and aluminum), and/or energy sectors, managing approx. 1-3 analysts or technical managers.

This position will report to the Head of Sectoral Development, based in Spain.

This role plays an important part in achieving an expansion in SBTi’s sector-specific resources to cover key industrial sectors.

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

You are a great fit for this role if you: are an industry or energy expert with clear leadership skills, motivated to use science-based targets to make a real difference in decarbonizing these sectors. You have technical expertise in at least one heavy emitting or energy sector; experience in GHG accounting, and skills in managing multiple stakeholders.

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 worldwide to halve emissions before 2030 and achieve net-zero emissions before 2050.

The SBTi defines and promotes best practices 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
Key responsibilities include:

- Lead the SBTi’s industry or energy sector work, including managing up to 3 technical managers
- Development of standards, tools, and technical resources to facilitate the adoption of 1.5°C-aligned targets in the industry (chemicals and aluminum) sectors or energy (oil & gas, power) sectors
- Follow-up of cement and steel guidance from a technical point of view, including periodic review and revision of materials as needed
- Work with the Head of the Sectoral Development Team to develop priorities for future energy and industry work
- Project coordination and stakeholder management for sector-specific resources to be developed in line with the SBTi Sectoral Development Framework
- Research to identify suitable scenarios, decarbonization roadmaps, and mitigation pathways to develop science-based target-setting resources for industrial and/or energy sectors
- Support with other ad-hoc research and technical activities as required by the Science Based Targets initiative
- Coordinate and support outreach to stakeholders as part of the SBTi consultative processes on technical projects

Essential skills and experience needed:

- 10+ years of professional experience, with a background in climate change, sustainability, environmental engineering, and/or sustainable development
- Good command of mitigation pathways, climate scenarios, and decarbonization roadmaps
- Good knowledge of corporate GHGs accounting and science-based target-setting
- Excellent knowledge of industrial or energy sectors and their interaction with the financial sector
- Professional, effective, and flexible team player, with proven ability to work with high-level representatives from the business, investors, and civil society
- Proven people management and project management skills
- Entrepreneurial, self-motivated, and able to work independently in an international and multi-cultural remote work environment
- Fluency in English with excellent written and oral communication skills

Desirable criteria:

- Ability to digest and communicate technical information to non-technical audiences
- Results-oriented, ability to handle multiple tasks and work in a constantly evolving environment
- Experience with additional industry or energy sectors beyond core expertise
- Flexibility to expand into other technical projects as required
This is a full-time role based remotely worldwide but with a preference for UK, Germany, USA, Mexico, and France.

The salary for this role will depend on location and experience level. This role is a fixed-term contract for 12 months with the possibility of extension.

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

What we offer:

- Working in 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 will depend on location and experience.
- Training and development;
- Attractive holiday package.

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, color, religion, gender or gender identity, sexual orientation, national origin, disability, or age.