

Call for a Senior Advisor – Environment and Sustainable Development

The International Union of Railways (UIC) is looking for a Senior Advisor - Environment and Sustinable Development to work with the Sustainable Development Unit based in Paris. The UIC is a world-wide organisation for international cooperation among railways and promotion of rail transport.

Sustainable Development and Environmental activities are of strategic importance to UIC members, and are of growing importance for railways all over the world. The aim of the Sustainable Development Unit of UIC is in particular to;

- Provide all members with technical expertise to enhance their environmental & sustainability performance, create business opportunities and manage environmental risks
- Promote rail's environmental & sustainability credentials towards international organisations, highlighting this competitive advantage for the benefit of UIC members

The new Senior Advisor – Environment and Sustinable Development will lead a number of projects and activities in support of the work program, these may include;

- promotion of rail at world level to meet the challenges of mobility and sustainability
- energy efficiency
- reduction of CO2 emissions
- reduction of diesel and other local emissions
- sustainable land use (herbicides, biodiversity, soil remediation, etc)
- secretariat support to UIC expert networks, management of workshops and conferences
- EU funded projects
- climate change adaptation
- author and develop technical documents, communication articles, newsletters and brochures, e.g. annual joint publication with the International Energy Agency & on-line EcoTools

This position offers unrivalled opportunities to work with a range of international and intergovernmental institutions and will require some international travel.

The ideal candidate would have:

- A university degree in a related subject;
- More than 4 years of professional experience, preferably in the European railway sector;
- High ability and experience in managing projects, preferably in an intercultural work environment;
- Broad knowledge of environmental & sustainable development issues for railways;
- Excellent communication skills, tact and diplomacy, intercultural competence, networking and social skills;
- Good ability to work using the English language (spoken and written), knowledge of other languages is an advantage;
- Dynamic attitude and strong commitment to Environment and Sustainability;
- Very good analytical and presentational skills.

Terms and conditions of the position are competitive. Interested candidates should submit a letter of motivation and a C.V. electronically to: Nick Craven <u>craven@uic.org</u> before 17 February 2017. Applications will be treated in confidence.