Legal Counsel

Based in Cowes, Isle of Wight, UK
Full-time contract

Would you like to work with some of the world’s most influential organisations working towards bringing a circular economy to life? This is an exceptional opportunity to use your legal skills in a highly professional environment supporting our mission-led organisation to accelerate the transition to a circular economy. You will work on leading-edge commercial contracts and liaise with stakeholders ranging from global corporations to governments, cities, emerging innovators and world-leading universities. You should have a minimum of 2 years’ experience post-qualification experience and be looking to work in a flexible, innovative environment with like-minded colleagues.

Role & Responsibilities:
Reporting to our General Counsel, your main responsibilities will be:

- Drafting and negotiating contracts, including funding agreements, all manner of commercial agreements including software/IT development arrangements, services agreements with consultants and agreements relating to our Systemic Initiatives.
- Identifying and managing a broad range of legal and regulatory issues as well as having a good understanding of charity law, corporate governance, GDPR and competition law.
- Management of the Foundation’s IP portfolio, including working with our trade-mark agents for international trade-mark registrations, assisting in brand management and protection.
- Working with the brand and communications teams to build-on our world class reputation in the field of the circular economy.
- Working with the HR and Finance teams, as well as other relevant stakeholders.

Your profile:

- City training and at least 2 years PQE plus, ideally, some previous in-house experience.
- A background in drafting and negotiating commercial contracts, involving a range of complex legal issues.
- You will have worked in a fast-paced environment, with flexibility to adapt to our changing business needs.
- A strong interest in the mission of the Foundation would be highly desirable.
- A strong eye for detail.
- Confidence in networking and relationship building.
- Strong communication skills in English.
- Excellent self-organisation skills – detailed planning skills and management of workload pipeline with a proactive approach to conflicting priorities; a track-record of delivering to tight deadlines.
What we do:
The Ellen MacArthur Foundation is an innovative not-for-profit organisation with a mission to accelerate the transition to a circular economy. The Foundation works with the world’s largest organisations and the emerging innovators that are bringing a circular economy to life. Find a full description of our work here: www.ellenmacarthurfoundation.org

Please apply with CV, covering letter and salary expectation to: Barbara Calland (barbara@ellenmacarthurfoundation.org)

Desired starting date: asap
Closing date for applications: 14th September 2020.
Location: Cowes, Isle of Wight.
Salary package: Dependent on experience but competitive within the charity sector and with generous holiday allowance, gym membership etc.