
**Ellen MacArthur Foundation
Programme Manager
New Plastics Economy 'global coalition of leaders'**

The Ellen MacArthur Foundation has an opportunity for an exceptional individual to join its team in Cowes, Isle of Wight to be part of the New Plastics Economy initiative, aiming to accelerate the transition to a circular economy for plastics.

The successful candidate must be business literate, have proven research and analytical skills, and the ability to communicate effectively with individuals at various management levels, across a variety of business functions, industries and geographies. Previous experience of working in a management consultancy firm is essential for this role.

This role is Initially for a 12 month period, however we are currently in the process of securing funding for this effort until 2025.

What we do:

The Ellen MacArthur Foundation is a charity with the mission to accelerate the transition to a circular economy.

- Education & learning – inspiring learners to re-think the future through the circular economy framework
- Business & government – catalysing circular innovation and creating the conditions for it to scale
- Insight & analysis – providing robust evidence about the benefits and implications of the transition
- Systemic Initiatives - transforming key material flows to scale the circular economy globally
- Communications - engaging a global audience around the circular economy

Role & Responsibilities:

You will be part of the New Plastics Economy, a key systemic initiative within the Foundation. The initiative is a global reference point and recognised voice in the global debate around plastics. We work with major businesses, governments, NGO, scientists and other stakeholders around the world to address the root cause of plastic pollution by catalysing the transition to a circular economy for plastics.

You will be part of delivering the initiative's objectives through the following activities:

- Working with the New Plastics Economy team and other teams in the Foundation, as well as a wide range of stakeholders ranging from companies, cities, philanthropists, policymakers, academics and NGOs to students and citizens, to identify and analyse common challenges and leading solutions for the transition to a circular economy for plastics.
- The focus of this role will be to manage and run a 'global coalition of leading businesses and governments'. This will be central to the initiative's strategy going forward (to be launched in Autumn 2018 and intended to run until 2025 - more info [here](#)). This will include defining the strategy of this programme together with New Plastics Economy and Foundation's leadership; expanding this programme over

time (in size and ambition level); publicly reporting on progress to maintaining global momentum and visibility; and working with the signatories of this coalition to support them in achieving their ambitious commitments.

- Managing a team to produce reports, case studies, and other assets and tools; supporting the development and facilitation of workshops and other events.
- Representing the Foundation and the New Plastics Economy at international meetings and events.
- Actively contributing to the overall New Plastics Economy initiative's strategy, and the continuous development of the Foundation's expertise, with a focus on plastics and plastic packaging.
- You will work closely with the leadership and members of the New Plastics Economy team, with extensive collaboration across the organisation with the different teams working in business, education, and communication.

Person specification

- Recent experience within a professional services/management consultancy firm is essential.
- Experience of managing a team and managing relationships with a broad range of stakeholders.
- The intellectual capacity to understand the principles of the circular economy and to apply them to the global plastic packaging system.
- The analytical skills to problem solve complex problems and extract key insights from data, analysis and discussions with a broad spectrum of stakeholders.
- Strong communication skills: evidence of having written engaging documents; the ability to interact effectively at all levels of an organisation and to contribute proactively to problem solving in meetings and workshops.
- A good academic record and degree level qualifications in business, economics, science, political science, or other relevant discipline.
- At least one language in addition to English is a definite plus in this role given the range of stakeholder engagement.

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

Desired starting date: As soon as possible

Salary package: Competitive within the sector and dependent on experience

Location: The New Plastics Economy team is based in Cowes, Isle of Wight, UK but regular international travel will be part of this role

Closing date: July 20th 2018



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