Foundation for the Global Compact

Job Opening  | Senior Manager, SDG Ambition

Posting Title: Senior Manager, SDG Ambition – Global Operations
Location: New York, NY,

POSITION SUMMARY

The UN Global Compact is the largest corporate sustainability initiative in the world. With over 12,000 participants in more than 100 countries, the UN Global Compact has an unparalleled global reach and the exclusive opportunity to activate a diverse network of business, investors, Government, UN and civil society stakeholders to advance sustainable development.

Central to the UN Global Compact’s strategy are the nearly 70 Global Compact Networks around the world, driving business implementation of the UN Global Compact’s Ten Principles and the Sustainable Development Goals at the national and regional levels.

The Senior Manager – SDG Ambition will be responsible for supporting the successful development and roll out of the new SDG Ambition Global Impact Initiatives (GIIs) worldwide. GIIs are accelerator programs designed to mainstream sustainable business practices, scaling the collective impact of business toward the achievement of the SDGs, addressing Climate Change and advancing Gender Equality. GIIs are rolled out at the country level in collaboration with Global Compact Local Networks.

Led by the UN Global Compact in partnership with SAP and Accenture, SDG Ambition will empower and equip participating companies of the UN Global Compact to develop and implement innovative business strategies that significantly increase their positive impact on the SDGs.

Candidates should have exceptional project management and communication skills.

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

- Manage the successful development and implementation of SDG Ambition initiative, including overseeing program design, content, and enabling technologies;
- Ensure all elements of SDG Ambition are developed on time, on budget, and in alignment with mission;
- Manage and cultivate relationships with partners and key stakeholders to facilitate program development and delivery;
- Provide leadership, direction and to support to Local Networks around the world as they launch and implement SDG Ambition in their countries annually;
- Develop materials to support fundraising efforts for SDG Ambition, in collaboration with Fundraising Team;
- Promote SDG Ambition at globally through presentations, and drafting of communications, talking points, and key messages for leadership;
- Collaborate with leads of other GIIs to ensure coherence of approach across issue areas;
- Provide timely updates on SDG Ambition to leadership and Local Networks;

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- Support Local Networks in navigating partnerships at the country level, helping to identify strategic opportunities and find solutions to challenges as needed
- Lead regular planning webinars and meetings to support, track and report on progress across participating Networks
- Coordinate with Marketing, Communications, Fundraising, Programmes and other internal teams to deliver on the objectives of GII

QUALIFICATIONS

- Advanced university degree (Master’s degree or equivalent) in business administration, international relations, social sciences, management, law or a related field.
- At least 8 to 10 years of relevant work experience
- Strong analytic, problem-solving and project management skills.
- Experience in management consulting
- Excellent communicator in English, both verbally and in writing.
- Super-user of digital and productivity applications and tools

Core Values:

- **Integrity**: Demonstrates the values of the United Nations in daily activities and behaviours; acts without consideration of personal gain; resists undue political pressure in decision-making; does not abuse power or authority; stands by decisions that are in the Organization’s interest, even if they are unpopular; and takes prompt action in cases of unprofessional or unethical behavior.

- **Professionalism**: Shows pride in work and in achievements; demonstrates professional competence and mastery of subject matter; is conscientious and efficient in meeting commitments, observing deadlines and achieving results; is motivated by professional rather than personal concerns; shows persistence when faced with difficult problems or challenges; and remains calm in stressful situations.

- **Respect for Diversity**: Works effectively with people from all backgrounds; treats all people with dignity and respect; treats men and women equally; shows respect for and understanding of diverse points of view and demonstrates this understanding in daily work and decision-making; examines own biases and behaviours to avoid stereotypical responses; and does not discriminate against any individual or group.

Competencies:

- **Professionalism**: Knowledge of relevant UN Global Compact issue areas and workstreams; shows pride in work and in achievements; demonstrates professional competence and mastery of subject matter; is conscientious and efficient in meeting commitments, observing deadlines and achieving results; is motivated by professional rather than personal concerns; shows persistence when faced with difficult problems or challenges; remains calm in stressful situations.

- **Communication**: Speaks and writes clearly and effectively; listens to others, correctly interprets messages from others and responds appropriately; asks questions to clarify, and exhibits interest in having two-way communication; tailors language, tone, style and format to match audience; demonstrates openness in sharing information and keeping people informed.
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- **Accountability**: Takes ownership of all responsibilities and honours commitments; delivers outputs for which one has responsibility within prescribed time, cost and quality standards; operates in compliance with organizational regulations and rules; supports subordinates, provides oversight and takes responsibility for delegated assignments; and takes personal responsibility for his/her own shortcomings and those of the work unit, where applicable.

- **Technological Awareness**: Keeps abreast of available technology; understands applicability and limitation of technology to the work of the office; actively seeks to apply technology to appropriate tasks; shows willingness to learn new technology.

**BENEFITS**

- Competitive Salary
- Retirement Plan – 15% employer contribution after 6 months of services with additional 7.5% matching option.
- Vacation Days - 30 paid days (6 weeks) per year.
- Maternity leave - 16 weeks with full pay.
- Paternity leave - 4 weeks with full pay.
- Medical /dental/vision employee coverage

**RECRUITMENT PROCESS**

Please include the below documents in your email submission to hrinquiries@unglobalcompact.org with the subject heading "Senior Manager, SDG Ambition – Global Operations":

- Cover letter
- Resume/ CV

Applications will be accepted until 13 March 2020.

Please note that candidates must be eligible to work in the United States.

Given the anticipated volume of submissions, we will likely only contact select candidates.