

Vacancy: Fellow, Climate Policy

On-site (New Delhi) | Full-Time

Sustainable Futures Collaborative

The Sustainable Futures Collaborative (SFC) is an independent and non-profit research organisation that

- Analyses issues at the frontier of addressing climate change, managing the energy transition, and limiting environmental threats in India and globally;
- Informs policymakers, stakeholders and the public about key policy and governance levers, and their implications; and
- Accelerates the transition to an environmentally and socially sustainable future by enabling strategic action for systemic change.

Work Description

The role of a Fellow is to identify, develop, and implement new areas of research and engagement. This includes formulating ideas, applying a range of research methods, obtaining necessary funding, and conducting outreach. This position requires the capacity to work independently on a number of research and policy projects simultaneously.

Applicants must have research interests related to climate policymaking in India, though there is flexibility in the candidate's specific research areas within this broad field. While climate policy can be explored from any entry point, a few themes that the group currently explores include green industrial policy, trade and climate, climate finance, climate institutions, and emissions-economy modelling. The intention is that the Fellow will develop their independent policy research agenda and will simultaneously work in collaboration with other Fellows.

In addition, the Fellow will be expected to contribute to and participate in broader research and institutional discussions within SFC.

Key Responsibilities

- Explore research opportunities, develop research proposals, and design implementation plans
- Correspond with stakeholders, present research ideas, and engage in discussion
- Undertake and oversee quantitative and/or qualitative data collection using different research tools
- Prepare clearly written academic publications, analytical reports, and other forms of dissemination of research
- Mentor and assist staff and early-stage researchers in the organisation

- Engage in appropriate training and professional development opportunities as required by the organisation
- Support institutional growth by engaging with core functions
- Any other related assignments may be entrusted by the reporting authority

Qualifications

- Applicants should have a PhD in a relevant social science discipline or applied sciences with demonstrable policy engagement. Applicants with Masters degrees will only be considered if the candidate brings considerable policy experience
- A minimum of 4-6 years of work experience with demonstrated interest in climate or energy policy
- At least 2 publications in refereed journals (highly desirable)
- Good research and writing skills are essential
- Ability to communicate and work with a team that draws from diverse disciplines
- Ability to participate in broader intellectual agenda of the organisation

Applicants that are near completion of their PhD or are falling marginally short of these requirements may be considered for an ‘Associate Fellow’ position. Please indicate in the cover letter if you wish your application to be considered for Associate Fellow.

Remuneration

Salary commensurate to experience and designation, in line with development sector standards.

Application Instructions

Please send in your application to recruitment@sustainablefutures.org, with the subject line “Application: Fellow-Climate Policy”. Applications should include:

- A cover letter explaining your suitability for the position
- A brief statement (not more than 2-pages) of research interests and research plans
- A curriculum vitae

Applications will be reviewed on a rolling basis until the position is filled.