

## Vacancy Red Cross Red Crescent Climate Centre

The Red Cross Red Crescent Climate Centre (Climate Centre) is a global technical reference centre that helps the Red Cross Red Crescent Movement and its partners reduce the impacts of climate change and extreme weather events on vulnerable people by making the best global scientific insights operable at the local level. The Climate Centre's mission is to help the Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement and its partners reduce the impacts of climate change and extreme weather events on vulnerable people.

The Climate Centre consists of an enthusiastic small team that guides a growing network of colleagues from all over the world in integrating climate risks into their work. The Climate Centre works closely with the Netherlands Red Cross and the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies (IFRC) in Geneva. The Centre operates as a virtual team with a small team at the headquarters in The Hague and advisers or programme staff based in several regions across the world.

Due to a vacancy at the Climate Centre, we are immediately looking for a:

### **Technical Advisor (32/40 hours/week)**

#### **Position within the company:**

The Technical Advisor is part of the global team of the Climate Centre, working within the Anticipation Team.

Envisaged start date: April or May 2021.

#### **Job Description**

The Climate Centre seeks to hire a Technical Advisor to support its work on anticipatory action.

This position will provide technical support to several projects related to Forecast-based Financing, which are focused on enhancing anticipatory humanitarian action in response to forecasts of heightened risk of extreme weather or climate events before a disaster strikes. This will include (1) supporting National Red Cross and Red Crescent societies to develop their FbF projects and Early Action Protocol, (2) supporting the documentation of FbF methods and outcomes for others to learn from, in collaboration with the Anticipation Hub, and (3) thought leadership in improvements to forecast-based action in the humanitarian sector and beyond.

The Advisor will also provide ad-hoc technical support to the IFRC and its member National Societies on climate science, policy and practice.

#### **Responsibilities**

- Provide technical support to National Societies and its partners in the areas of climate risk management, early warning early action, and climate change adaptation.
- Lead the implementation of Climate Centre support to projects on Forecast-based Financing. Support National Societies in their development of Early Action Protocols, especially in the design of triggers. This can include data analysis, designing workshops with regional stakeholders, and analysing impact-based forecasting techniques.
- Provide technical comments, feedback, and ideation to Forecast-based Financing efforts.

- Support National Societies to build sustainable partnerships with relevant national actors such as the national meteorological office.
- Support National Societies and partners to engage in relevant climate related policy dialogues and discussions in a national and regional setting.
- Represent the Climate Centre, when appropriate and requested, in regional and global events or engagements relating to the climate agenda.
- Provide regular updates on climate related news, policy and science.
- Contribute to the development of web-stories, case studies, lessons learnt and academic papers.
- Work in close collaboration with the IFRC offices in the region.

### **Qualifications**

The successful candidate will have a strong background in early warnings systems, forecasts, disaster risk management and relevant experience in the humanitarian and development sector, preferably with 3+ years of professional experience. The preferred candidate will have completed a graduate level degree.

Through education or work experience, the candidate should have some background in BOTH social and physical sciences, with the ability to work at the intersection of both science and humanitarian practise. The candidate should be proficient in time series analysis in software such as Excel or R. They should also have excellent writing and communication skills.

Skills and Abilities: Excellent interpersonal, verbal and written communication skills. Ability to work in a virtual setting which is highly reliant on email as a primary mode of communication. Proven track record of collaboration, facilitation, problem solving, and partnership management. Able to work across cultures and with a wide variety of stakeholders. Demonstrated ability to provide clear, concise and client oriented advice to decision-makers. Experience in developing and delivering trainings. Proficiency in statistics and ability to analyse data.

Travel: Occasional international travel will be required.

Language: Must be fluent in English. Advanced language skills in another language is a strong added value.

Location: This is a home-based position, and the successful candidate could be located anywhere in the world. Preference is given to people based in Latin America, the Caribbean, Africa, or Asia.

### **We offer:**

A flexible and people-oriented working environment with room for initiative and development. A year contract, with possibility to extension of the contract. The Climate Centre offers a sector competitive salary, based on the Climate Centre salary scales. All additional benefits are as per the Collective Labor Agreement of the Netherlands Red Cross. National and international candidates are invited to apply. The Climate Centre does not offer delegate packages.

### **How to apply:**

We would like to receive your application, CV and cover letter (in English) addressed to Marije Taat, HR officer at the Climate Centre at before 18 April 2021 to [application@climatecentre.org](mailto:application@climatecentre.org)  
If you have any questions about this vacancy, please mail to [hr@climatecentre.org](mailto:hr@climatecentre.org)