

Call for Expression of Interest: Innovative Finance Advisor

Ref: GEO/CO/2022-08IFA

Post: Innovative Finance Advisor

Organization: GEO Secretariat

Start Date: 1 September or soon after

Duration of contract : 1-year

DEADLINE FOR APPLICATION: 16 August 2022

Applications to be submitted to secretariat@geosec.org. Please quote reference in title of email.

The Innovative Finance Advisor will develop and lead new innovative partnerships and innovative finance solutions to sustainably finance and upscale GEO's portfolio. Working closely with the GEO Director, the Innovative Finance Advisor will:

1. Design innovative approach to greater public-private partnership in GEO and conceptualize innovative finance instruments that could catalyze sustainable investments in GEO's portfolio.
2. Provide strategic advisory services in the design and mapping of innovative finance mechanisms.
3. Assess GEO's portfolio, including programming modalities, governance and institutional aspects, for exploring innovative financing options.
4. Identify and catalyze potential partners with a focus on sustainable and innovative funding for GEO.
5. Build collaborations and structures that deliver new funds and greater impact through innovation.
6. Lead efforts to develop opportunities with partners and potential donors across corporate, impact investment, not-for-profit, and philanthropic client groups.
7. Identify and synthesize best practices and lessons learned linked to GEO innovative finance activities and associated global initiatives;
8. Create a community of champions to elevate institutional priorities across political channels.
9. Identify and advise on recruitment of champions who will connect GEO with high level decision makers and promote the value of involvement in GEO.

Experience

1. Experience having successfully set up and developed an innovative financing mechanism, including the development of legal, regulatory, institutional and governance aspects;
2. Experience having developed and/or facilitated complex partnerships, ideally including between public and private parties;

3. Deep technical expertise in Innovative Finance and/or access to finance in development, impact investment, and/or corporate contexts,
4. Demonstrated versatility to provide strategic advisory or management consulting services,
5. Superior skill in understanding and presenting complex/technical issues to a wide range of stakeholders,
6. Strong relationship builder with excellent interpersonal skills.

Compensation commensurate with experience.