

Global Fibre and Forestry Specialist

Location: London or Selby (with hybrid working)

Salary: Details to be discussed on application, and will be dependent on experience

Closing Date: 22nd May 2022

Do you want to become part of our purpose – enabling a zero carbon, lower cost energy future? Drax has the ambition to grow its biomass supply portfolio and to service a range of potential business growth opportunities

Do you want to be part of that as our Global Fibre and Forestry Specialist?

As the Global functional expert on forestry and forest products sector, reporting into the Head of Biomass Strategy, you will be working against a robust strategy to expand the targetable biomass envelope and venture into new geographies

This is a permanent role, and we can offer a flexible location, being based from either our London, or Selby (Yorkshire) offices but hybrid working will apply. You will need to be prepared to travel to our Drax locations across the UK (predominately London and Selby) as well as attend conference events and events with internal and external stakeholders.

About the role

You will be responsible for maintaining the Group's collective view on global forestry and forest products industry dynamics and developments formulated through internal knowledge, industry contacts, third-party research, consultancy studies, academic papers and industry attendance.

You'll be the expert! You'll be the Group's focal point for all externally sourced sector research outside of North America and within North America for non-pellet fibre

You'll also understand and have the focal point for NBBECCS and other non-pellet projects (ie biofuels) fibre sourcing – including identifying, quantifying and managing interactions/competition with other fibre users

Within this role you'll support origination analysis, at tiers 1, 2 & 3 as appropriate, to help identify geographies, Areas of Interest & opportunities for targeted origination.

This role will certainly enable you to provide technical and broad sector expertise into modelling parameters and appraisal of fibre strategy options – e.g., Forestry ownership, Joint Ventures, Energy Crop plantations.

Communication and collaboration will be key to this role. You'll lead sector specific appraisal for early-stage origination, with specific focus on targetable biomass availability, sustainability and development aspects, market, and industry landscape.

About you

You will have a Degree level (or equivalent) in forestry or related industry.

It will be critical that you have substantial forestry and/or forest products sector industry knowledge and full lifecycle experience from origination through to operational forestry management.

You'll demonstrate your experience across multiple fibre baskets with global reach, particularly outside North America

As the expert you'll have a sound understanding of both development and sustainability implications of forestry biomass use for energy. Ideally you'll have professional membership of the institute of Chartered Foresters (or another relevant professional body).

You'll demonstrate your experience of supporting the origination and development of forestry biomass supply chains from a technical, sustainability and industry landscape perspective.

Ideally, you'll have a large network of industry and consultancy sector specific contacts.

Sound good? We'd love to hear from you!

We're at our best when we share inspiration and insight right across Drax, and search for new ideas and ways of working. We welcome applications from everyone and hire great people to build talented and diverse teams.

Candidates should be chartered or working toward Chartered status, or Professional membership of the Institute of Chartered Foresters or another relevant professional body is desirable.



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