

Empowering Electricity Purchasers

DIRECTOR, INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT ('S-HERTOGENBOSCH, THE NETHERLANDS)

Location: 's-Hertogenbosch, the Netherlands

Closing date: 1 February 2018
Contract: Fixed-term

Job level: Director, International Development

1. The I-REC Standard

The International REC Standard (I-REC Standard) is a non-profit organization that has been tasked with providing robust attribute-tracking systems around the world. Attribute-tracking systems provide electricity consumers – from large businesses to households – with the opportunity to use the product of their choice. These products, which are defined according to the principles of a book-and-claim system, allow consumers to choose (renewable) electricity from a specific location or production device. Attribute-tracking systems are the backbone of product choice in the electricity market.

The work of the I-REC Standard incorporates two distinct elements:

- 1. The I-REC Standard is a list of rules, regulations and best practices, which are designed to be used by existing attribute-tracking systems. These rules, regulations and best practices together form the I-REC Code. The I-REC Code provides the blueprints for a standardized tracking system that can be implemented in any country or region. Standardization allows for simplified consumer claims and the elimination of double claiming, double counting and double certificate issuance.
- 2. The I-REC Standard is also an operational attribute-tracking system that, based on the I-REC Code rules and regulations, can be made available in countries or regions without a reliable, transparent electricity-tracking system. In such regions, implementation on a voluntary basis is possible; however, the I-REC Standard organization prefers implementation to be done in combination with national regulatory or policy-making authorities.

2. Your main tasks

Since its launch in 2015, the I-REC Standard has become the leading international standard for attribute-tracking systems. To sustain this leadership position, a director is needed to carry out a number of tasks:

- Managing the day-to-day activities of the I-REC Standard including: providing timely responses to
 questions related to market development, issues with use of the standard, questions on the
 implementation of the standard, questions on how to use the online registry system and other
 aspects of the system.
- Organizing meetings for the I-REC Standard Board and the I-REC Standard Advisory Group.
 Preparing documents, writing up the minutes of meetings and reporting back to the Board and other stakeholders on tasks that have been accomplished.
- Learning about electricity market rules and determining a role for the I-REC Standard in markets or regions. Drafting guidance for the I-REC Standard Board explaining the Secretariat's opinions.
- Collaborating with I-REC Standard participants, registrants and local issuers to improve the use and growth of the system.



- Collaborating with I-REC Standard stakeholders (national governments, environmental NGOs, large-scale electricity consumers and other stakeholders) to ensure there is clear understanding about the goal of the I-REC Standard and its function in the market.
- Attending events and presenting the role of the I-REC Standard publically in front of various audiences. Answering questions on the role of the I-REC Standard and the various positions taken by the Board.

3. Required competencies

- An MSc education and a technical/science or economic/financial background.
- Understanding of electricity markets and renewable technologies, including the value proposition for renewables across the sector and their effects on power markets and grid operation.
- An ability to facilitate and organize stakeholder engagement.
- You must be a talented communicator in speech and writing. Able to speak in front of an
 audience and adjust the style of communication to suit the audience. Able to present detailed
 and highly technical discussions while also being able to summarise broader points for a nontechnical audience.
- An ability to networks, cultivate contacts and work effectively with stakeholders from around the world.
- You should be interested in working as part of a small team and taking on a variety of tasks, ranging from the work described above to public relations and communication, to dealing with financial and organizational issues (booking event venues or travel) and you must be able to clearly carry out tasks on behalf of others (such as arranging travel and accommodation for Board members).
- Able to travel independently around the world and engage with people with different cultures and norms.
- Ability to manage projects and meet ad-hoc demands simultaneously, set priorities, effectively use available resources, identify and address problems and meet deadlines.
- Fluency in English is essential; fluency in additional languages would be an advantage (particularly Spanish and French).

4. About the International REC Standard office

The I-REC Standard works in close cooperation with RECS International. The office is staffed by 3-4 employees, but manages hundreds of stakeholders and members around the world. As a small team, we are jointly responsible for the growth and success of these organizations but also for the day-to-day functions of an office and running the businesses. The I-REC Standard Board outsources the work of the Secretariat to PNI Consultancy, which will be your legal employer.

PNI Consultancy, on behalf of the I-REC Standard, offers a competitive and employment conditions, a flexible working environment and the chance to join a team of experts who are leaders in the field of attribute-tracking systems and the growing role of consumers in the electricity market.

PNI Consultancy is willing to arrange a Dutch work permit application for the successful candidate. However, a candidate with the Dutch or another EU nationality will be prioritised. Non-EU candidates should be aware that work permits are subject to the approval of the Dutch authorities.

5. More information

To apply for the position please contact the secretariat at secretariat@irecstandard.org with your CV motivation and contact information. Please also visit the following websites for more information



about the I-REC Standard and attribute tracking markets. $\underline{www.irecstandard.org}$: $\underline{www.recs.org}$: $\underline{www.recsmarket.eu}$