Director, European Development
’s-Hertogenbosch, the Netherlands

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1. **RECS International**

RECS International is a non-profit organization that strives to shape an open, pan-European renewable energy market that is facilitated by commonly accepted, harmonized tracking systems. Attribute-tracking systems provide electricity consumers – from large businesses to households – with the opportunity to choose the product they prefer to consume. These products, which are defined according to the principles of a book-and-claim system, allow consumer to choose (renewable) electricity from a specific location or production device. Attribute-tracking systems are the backbone of product choice in the electricity market.

RECS International works to stimulate renewable energy demand by adopting harmonized standards and principles for transparent transfer of information to end-users and encourages further generation of emerging renewable energy technologies by increasing competition and cost-efficiency through the expansion of cross-border trade and international cooperation mechanisms.

RECS International is the founder of the current standardized Guarantee of Origin (GO) system in Europe. The members of RECS International initiated the first voluntary certificate systems and introduced the first draft standard for the GO systems, which is now operated by the Association of Issuing Bodies (AIB) – a group of national regulators, transmission operators and governmentally appointed private entities. Thanks to this expertise, RECS International is recognized internationally as an expert in the GO market and is therefore frequently consulted by governments around the world for advice and opinions on developments in energy markets. As a member-based organization, RECS International directly represents over 100 stakeholders in the GO market in Europe and a myriad of stakeholders using similar systems around the world.

2. **Your main tasks**

Since its foundation in 2002, RECS International has been the leading expert in the use, functioning and trading of attribute-tracking certificates and systems. To sustain this leadership position, an director is needed to carry out a number of tasks:

- Manage the day-to-day activities of RECS International. Provide timely responses to questions from members, including issues related to the use of the attribute-tracking systems, the implementation of voluntary standards around the world, as well as why and how to become a member of the organization.
- Organizing meetings of the RECS International Board and various working groups. Preparing documents, writing up the minutes of meetings and reporting back to the Board and other stakeholders on tasks that have been accomplished.
• Learn about electricity market rules and how RECS International can best influence and change policy decisions in specific countries or regions. Draft guidance for the RECS International Board and explain the Secretariat’s opinions.
• Help organize our annual three-day market meeting, hosting 250 stakeholders from around the world, who come together to discuss the most relevant and pressing issues in the industry.
• Collaborate with RECS International members to improve communication documents and other informational material.
• Collaborate with RECS International stakeholders (national governments, environmental NGOs, large-scale electricity consumers and other stakeholders) to ensure they have a clear understanding of the goals and standpoints of RECS International.
• Attend events and present the viewpoints of RECS International publically in front of a variety of audiences. Answer questions on the perspective of RECS International and various positions taken by the Board.

3. **Required competencies**

• A technical/science or an economic/financial background (MSc level).
• A general understanding of electricity markets and renewable technologies, including the value proposition for renewables across the sector and their effects on power markets and grid operations.
• 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 summarize broader points for a non-technical audience.
• An ability to build 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 carry out tasks on behalf of others (such as arranging travel and accommodation for Board members).
• Able to travel independently around the world and easily engage with people with different cultures and norms.
• An 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 other languages would be an advantage.

4. **About the RECS International office**

RECS International works in close cooperation with those responsible for the International REC Standard. 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 RECS International, but also for the day-to-day functions of an office and running the businesses. The RECS International Board outsources the work of the Secretariat to PNI Consultancy, which will be your legal employer.

PNI Consultancy, on behalf of the RECS International, offers a competitive salary and employment conditions, a flexible working environment, and the unique 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 Dutch or another EU nationality will be prioritized. Non-EU candidates should be aware that work permits are subject to the approval of the Dutch authorities.

5. More information: