

## **One-Year Secondment—Extreme Events and Climate Risk Research Programme**

**Location: Zurich**

**Date: Starting 1 October 2018 for one year**

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### **Position**

We have an opportunity for a one-year secondment to our Extreme Events and Climate Risk (EECR) research programme, supervised by the programme Director.

This position would suit a junior professional in an insurance company (both liability and asset management sides) who wishes to broaden their experience and/or specialise in climate-related topics, with the support of their employer. Please note, this is an unpaid position. Throughout the secondment, the secondee remains a salaried employee of their respective organisation (additional expenses are covered at the discretion of the employer).

### **Activities and Responsibilities**

- I. Support the implementation of the following ongoing projects:
  - a. Comparative analysis of flood risk management practices in six countries (Australia, Canada, Germany, Japan, UK and the USA)
  - b. Role of insurance in climate resilience and decarbonisation of critical infrastructure
  - c. Development of the research framework in the areas of sustainable investing, climate risk and scenario analysis
- II. Research latest trends and developments as well as maintain a database of key stakeholders in the following areas (1) climate change, disaster policy and regulation; (2) sustainable investing, climate risk-related investing and capital markets, (3) disclosure and monitoring; (4) green/clean technology; (5) developments around resilient and green infrastructure
- III. Assist with analysis of key developments through bodies such as EU, APEC, G20, G7, etc.
- IV. Support further development of EECR programme's stakeholder database
- V. Assist with organisation EECR meetings, conferences, seminars and workshops

### **Requirements**

- Master's degree in business administration, economics and finance, earth sciences, public policy and international relations or engineering. (PhD would be a plus.)



- Demonstrated knowledge of extreme events and climate risk, sustainability and related management and international development issues. Relevance to the insurance industry would be a plus.
- Minimum of five years of professional experience in, or demonstrated theoretical knowledge of, the insurance sector and the fundamentals of market-based risk transfer and/or sustainable investing from insurers' perspectives.
- Strong analytical skills, resourcefulness and ability to write well-structured reports, design and deliver presentations.
- Strong organisational skills, demonstrated experience with organising all aspects of conferences and workshops.
- Demonstrated track record of working in a team-oriented and results-driven environment.
- Excellent knowledge of English (spoken and written). A working knowledge of other languages (e.g. French) would be a plus.
- Practical knowledge of Microsoft Windows and Office (Word, PowerPoint, Excel, Access). Working knowledge of databases.

To apply for this position, please send your curriculum vitae, a motivation letter and a writing sample to Claudete Rode Maier at The Geneva Association via email to: [applications@genevaassociation.org](mailto:applications@genevaassociation.org)

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