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Legal Counsel

About Carbonplace

An exciting opportunity to rapidly scale and shape a start-up committed to driving climate action. Carbonplace is a global carbon credit transaction network that will enable the simple, secure, and transparent transfer of certified carbon credits. Developed by a group of financial institutions, Carbonplace's unique blockchain-enabled distributed ledger technology will enable the trust, transparency, and accessibility required to open the voluntary carbon market to the world and accelerate global climate action. In joining this new & unique venture, you will engage with teams that have a startup mindset without the worry of associated start up risks. You will be working with a consortium of financial institutions with a core objective of executing MVP and Series A funding.

About This Role:

Carbonplace are seeking a strategic and commercially minded experienced legal counsel who both understands the commercial landscape, and is adept at executing on day-to-day operational matters. As our legal counsel, you will be a pragmatic leader, with excellent judgment and the ability to navigate the complex regulatory landscape of Distributed Ledger Technology, Carbon Markets, and Financial services. You will also be responsible for coordinating external counsel on key project deliverables, ensuring these engagements are properly costed and scoped, and communicating business requirements to external counsel in legal terms. This is an exciting opportunity to grow and shape our legal team, and have an impact on the development of the legal framework in the Carbon Market.

Responsibilities:

- Advise the Boards and the Executive Team on the regulatory and commercial risks to enhance decision-making and delivery;
- Develop and manage relationships with external law firms and ensure that any external legal resource is appropriate for the advice sought and cost effective;
- Managing shareholder agreements and the legal process in funding rounds;
- Drafting, reviewing and updating of our terms and conditions as the platform develops and scales;
- Awareness and assessment of legal and regulatory developments, ensuring effective implementation in line with business needs;

Location and Commitments:

We offer hybrid working, with a minimum of 2-3 days a week in the City of London office.

Candidate Requirements:

- Well versed in all aspects of commercial, corporate and employment law, with extensive experience in the finance and banking sector, with an in-depth understanding of how legal issues affect organisations.
- Able to provide authoritative risk-based advice - including managing litigation and litigation risks in a manner that commands confidence of senior stakeholders.
- Experience in coordinating external counsel with internal legal deliverables.



- Candidate must have an understanding of investment banking and Series A funding (financially fluent); A good understanding of financial services and emerging technologies is favourable
- Enthusiastic, pragmatic and able to deal with ambiguity and manage changing priorities.
- You take a collaborative approach and have excellent interpersonal and communication skills.
- You have the ability to manage multiple priorities successfully and are able to make effective/informed decisions under pressure.
- Able to thrive in a fast-paced start-up environment: proactive, self-motivated, results-oriented, and organized

Important information:

- You must be a qualified lawyer
- We are hoping for someone who can join Carbonplace promptly, commencing in this role from Q4 2022.

Remuneration & Benefits:

Competitive based on experience.

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