



Position Description

The Children's Investment Fund Foundation (UK)

Investment Manager

Organisation

Founded in 2003, The Children's Investment Fund Foundation (CIFF) aims to demonstrably improve the lives of children living in poverty in developing countries through large-scale and sustainable impact. It seeks to accomplish this mission through engaged investing which results in high-performing, sustainable programs operating at scale; and influencing change in policy, organisational performance and investment trends for the benefit of children.

CIFF's goals are to:

- Discover high impact investing opportunities to unleash positive outcomes for children.
- Design interventions with entrepreneurial and growth-oriented partners to tackle these issues directly.
- Deliver breakout performance through deep, active and rigorous engagement.
- Be a leader in international philanthropy by proactively and consistently delivering measurable and large scale results.
- Leverage complementary capabilities and resources toward a shared goal.

The Foundation bases its approach on the following child well-being impact areas:

- Child survival
- Child nutrition & hunger alleviation
- Adolescent reproductive health
- Educational attainment
- Early childhood development
- Economic readiness
- Care environment

With an asset base of approximately \$1.7 billion, CIFF employs more than 35 professionals in England, Africa and India. CIFF is funded through a hedge fund, coupling business acumen and principles with development experience and best practices to transform the landscape for children.

For more information please visit www.ciff.org

Position

The Children's Investment Fund Foundation (UK) ('CIFF') is hiring an Investment Manager to develop investment proposals (which are typically grants), evaluate potential investment recipients and formulate investment strategies. In developing and evaluating proposals, Investment Managers analyse available evidence to assess whether proposed programmes will be cost-effective, meet CIFF's strategic goals and have a significant impact. They collaborate with potential partners to ensure that each proposal has a strong implementation strategy, monitoring and evaluation plan and a high probability of success. Investment Managers ensure a smooth transition of partner relationships to the CIFF Portfolio Management team once initiatives are approved. Investment Managers then continue to work closely with CIFF's Portfolio Managers who manage CIFF-funded programs. Investment Managers are based in London and report to the Executive Director Investments, also based in London.

Responsibilities

- Based on rigorous research and evaluation, assess the strategic value, strength of leadership and adaptive capacity of potential partners;
- Work with potential partners, including governments, multilateral organisations, foundations, NGOs and others to devise detailed proposals and implementation plans to achieve large-scale impact and transformational change. Ensure proposals contain logical plans to achieve stated outcomes; identify risks to the success of programs and develop strategies to mitigate such risks; ensure each proposed investment is presented objectively and to a standard that can garner the approval of CIFF's executive team and Trustees;
- Work with government entities where possible to ensure programmatic leverage and government support;
- Help to develop and refine CIFF strategies for investment, including assessing general target subjects (for example, particular diseases, health delivery systems, learning methods, or nutritional products) and geographical regions;
- Work with the Executive Director Investments to enhance existing CIFF granting systems, policies and procedures;
- Help to develop strategic partnerships (in operations, co-investment, and policy) to support the scalability of the programs funded by CIFF; and
- Ensure a smooth transition of CIFF partner relationships from the Investment team to the Programme team once initiatives are approved.

Job Specific Requirements

- Extensive work experience in the private and development sectors; a blend of private sector and international development experience is preferred but not essential; experience in child health, nutrition or education sectors or in the regions of the African continent or Indian subcontinent is an advantage;
- Proven skills in devising business or programme strategies and plans (including budgets) in various contexts;
- Experience of preparing investment memoranda and presenting at board level;

- Strong analytic skills, such as (by way of example) financial or investment analysis and project management;
- Experience working within government systems and/or experience influencing the policies of government agencies, private sector organisations or donor organisations. Policy or advocacy experience helpful.
- Demonstrated abilities to effectively negotiate and position an organisation;
- An innovative thinker with a pragmatic and solution oriented mindset;
- Willingness to travel extensively; and
- Excellent English oral and written communication skills; French, Portuguese or Indian languages also an advantage;

Application Process

To apply for Investment Management roles:

http://ciff.real-job.co.uk/vacancies/570/CIFF/investment_manager/london/