

Chief Energy Economist

1. BASIC FUNCTIONS:

Serves as Chief Energy Economist of the International Energy Forum (IEF) and Director of Energy Markets & Data Division based at IEF Secretariat in the Diplomatic Quarter in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia. Responsible for articulating the strategic direction and the intellectual output of the annual work program and for analyzing, and disseminating independent, impactful and impartial energy information to enhance global dialogue on stable and efficient markets, as well as on major energy policy issues and their interaction with the economy and the environment. Chief advisor to the Secretary General, Ministers and IEF Executive Board on energy markets & data analysis and major trends affecting the energy sector, in terms of investments, strategies, technologies and market fundamentals. Responsible for the preparation of analyses and special reports on topics of current interest. Ensures IEF work product and analysis are consistent and meet the highest standards.

2. PRINCIPAL CONTACTS:

As a member of the senior leadership of the IEF, Chief Energy Economist reports to the Secretary General and coordinates closely with other Divisions on work programme and activities. Builds and maintains ongoing contact with counterparts in Member Countries, as well as policymakers, research institutes, international organisations, banks and energy industry. Represents the Secretariat at international meetings and events as required.

3. PRIMARY RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Advises Secretary General, Secretariat executive team, Ministers and Executive Board Members on global energy trends relevant to the IEF and key economic, policy and financial drivers to watch.
- Establishes and leads strategic work on policies geared towards supporting the energy sector in a post-COVID-19 recovery and wider energy transition. Provides essential ability to work across all areas of energy policy for advanced, emerging market and low-income countries.
- Leads the delivery of IEF flagship publications and relevant advisory work.
- Evaluates priority energy issues highlighted or initiated in IEF Ministerial meetings, Executive and Advisory Boards; and provides strategic direction to the Secretariat.
- Manages the Joint Organisations Data Initiative (JODI) on oil and gas and other energy components.
- Represents IEF in the IEA/IEF/OPEC trilateral technical programmes.
- Implements initiatives directed by the Secretary General or approved in annual work program.
- Represents Secretary General and IEF in public diplomacy through speeches, presentations, and participation in international energy meetings and conferences.
- Develops potential discussion topics, draft agendas and background material for IEF Ministerial and other meetings.
- Establishes and implements initiatives on select priority topics including global energy governance, investment, sustainability, energy security, market stability, ESG, energy access, energy poverty, technologies, data, and digitalization.
- Mobilizes internal and external resources to support global energy dialogue and the shared interests of IEF's 70 Member Countries

4. MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS:

- Advanced degree in economics, engineering or finance. Higher levels in these or related disciplines are preferable.
- Minimum of 20 years of work experience in strategy and/or policymaking in the energy sector.
- Established track record of publishing or expertise in energy.
- Advanced understanding of key stakeholders in the international energy field.
- Knowledge of quantitative methods and modeling is an asset.
- Strong familiarity with global energy issues, especially those affecting major sectors.
- Ability to speak and write with high proficiency in English. Working knowledge of other languages would be an advantage.
- High and proven levels of initiative, entrepreneurship, ability to mobilize resources and leadership.
- Strong communication, presentation and writing skills with an ability to simplify technical energy topics.
- Advanced analytical skills.
- Strong managerial, coordination, and networking abilities.
- Previous participation in international energy, economics or industry seminars, conferences or dialogues.

5. TERM

A two-year fixed term appointment with possibility of renewal.

6. COMPENSATION PACKAGE

IEF offers an attractive remuneration package for this senior leadership position that includes salary, health insurance, housing contribution, vacation, relocation reimbursement, dependency and education benefits. Specific compensation package is based on the individual candidate's experience and qualifications in accordance with IEF human resource guidelines.

Please send CV and cover letter by email to hr@ief.org

Only short-listed candidates will be contacted.