

Interested in working for a dynamic think tank supporting climate change action and sustainable energy policy in the built environment?

As a prominent think tank based in Brussels and Berlin, we are leading the conversation on buildings and climate, making the case for ambitious, human-centric policies that will bring the built environment in line with global and European climate objectives. This is a unique opportunity to work for a values-driven, multinational employer with a stellar reputation in Brussels and globally, who encourages creativity and diversity in our team.

At BPIE, we analyse which building policies really reduce CO₂ emissions, what innovative ideas can accelerate the transformation of the building sector and how governments, stakeholders and civil society can work together to make buildings fit for a sustainable, zero carbon future. We also provide advisory activities to the European institutions, policymakers in EU Member States and neighbouring countries, the scientific community as well as private sector stakeholders and civil society.

BPIE's team is a multi-disciplinary, enthusiastic and committed group who enjoys collaborating with international partners and has a result-oriented and analytical work culture in a trustful and open-minded atmosphere.

We are growing our team in Brussels and are offering an exciting opportunity.

Come and join BPIE as

Researcher, Carbon and Energy in the Built Environment

BPIE's project portfolio includes a broad variety of assignments, ranging from multi-year projects in large European consortia to short term analysis with a high political relevance.

As Researcher Carbon and Energy in the built environment you will have the opportunity to work in teams and contribute to projects depending on your experience and expertise.

THE MOST IMPORTANT AREAS WE'LL TRUST YOU WITH:

Reporting to the Team Lead, you will

- Design research approaches and methodologies to support BPIE's analysis and publications
- Undertake desk-based research contributing to a variety of BPIE projects, depending on skill set and experience
- Provide technical contributions to research projects, from the application phase to the completion of the project
- Deliver ready-to-use research and summarise findings in short memos, briefings and factsheets
- Draft reports, present and discuss technical content with senior members of the team and project partners
- Support stakeholder relationships management as required by assigned projects



- Manage data sets about building stock (EU and national) and contribute to their analysis
- Collaborate constructively with other team members as required.

REQUIRED QUALIFICATIONS

- A minimum of 3 years relevant professional experience
- Master's degree in relevant discipline, such as architecture, engineering, economics, political
 or environmental sciences or equivalent with a focus on energy performance of
 buildings/sustainability in buildings.
- Familiarity with EU and member states energy and climate policies, combined with a good understanding of the role of buildings in achieving the EU energy transition and the Paris climate commitments.
- Proven experience in drafting reports and papers, presenting and debating technical or political topics related to the energy performance of buildings.
- Highly proficient in spoken and written English

DESIRABLE SKILLS

- Experience in research for policy analysis in the areas of energy efficiency, renewable energy
 in buildings, embedded carbon, climate adaptation of the built environment, smart buildings
 and the wider energy system is an asset
- Experience in sustainable city policy
- Experience in technical building aspects such as low carbon heating technologies, BIM, performance monitoring, whole life carbon assessment, decarbonization of heating and cooling, designed vs real energy consumption, etc.
- Experience in liaising with stakeholders from research institutions, private sector, national governments and EU institutions.
- Creative and innovative approaches to research and communicating outcomes.
- In-depth knowledge of building energy regulation and policy.
- Good knowledge of at least one European language in addition to English.

PERSONAL INTERESTS & SKILLS

- Ability to work with tight deadlines and contribute to several projects simultaneously.
- Willingness to work in a small, multi-national team and to be a pro-active and constructive team player.
- A passion to fight climate change.

To be a successful candidate, you need proven experience as described above, be a team player with a drive to undertake innovative research in the field of energy and buildings and be enthusiastic about working in a multinational and dynamic team and have a valid working permit for the EU.

Convinced? Send us your applications and come meet us!



OUR OFFER

BPIE offers a permanent employment contract based in Brussels under Belgian employment law. Our attractive package includes a range of employee benefits, training and development opportunities and flexible working conditions including a generous home office policy. Part-time employment of at least 75% is an option.

YOUR APPLICATION

Please send your CV and a cover letter explaining your experience and motivation in English to Anne-Sophie Nollet, annesophie.nollet@bpie.eu by 22 January 2023. Please make sure to include the job title "Researcher" and your name in the subject line of the email.

The shortlisted candidates will be invited for interviews in January 2023.