

INVESTMENT OFFICER

ABOUT GAWA:

GAWA Capital is an impact investment firm focused on building opportunities for low-income communities via investments in social companies. With EUR 220 million managed or advised through 4 impact funds, we aim to promote socio-economic development for vulnerable communities in emerging countries whilst also providing a financial return to investors.

We believe we can make a difference through our work and make this world more just, actively contributing with opportunities for those who need it the most. We have an entrepreneurial, value-based, and transparent culture. We offer a dynamic working environment within a growing organization with room for personal ideas and initiatives.

GAWA Capital is currently launching a new fund focusing on the climate change resilience of vulnerable communities in emerging markets with an innovative blending finance structure. We believe that increasing smallholder farmers and small businesses' access to tailor-made financial services is key to improving their resilience and adaptation to climate change enabling them to implement improved agricultural practices and assets.

This new fund aims to increase smallholders' and small businesses' access to climate/green financing by investing in agriculture and MSME-focused financial service providers and providing technical assistance that will strengthen their green product design & and offering, processes & and risk management, and employee capabilities. Besides, the fund will also support climate solutions providers to expand the number of available mitigation and adaptation solutions in the market that targets smallholders and small businesses.

For more information, please visit www.gawacapital.com

LOCATION:

Madrid

JOB DESCRIPTION:

The Investment Officer shall be responsible for leading end-to-end investments for GAWA Capital funds, from origination to execution, to maximize its financial and impact returns. More specifically:

- Building a strong network across Latin America and India to originate debt and equity investment opportunities.
- Identifying, cultivating, and executing an attractive pipeline of investment opportunities that fit with GAWA's investment strategy.
- Leading investments from origination to closing, preparing financial models, and drafting investment memorandums.
- Managing due diligence, negotiations, and legal documentation.
- Closely collaborating with the portfolio management team to support investees' monitoring.
- Closely collaborating with the transformation team to promptly identify technical assistance projects and monitoring the projects and the impact created by the investment.

DESIRED QUALIFICATIONS:

- 2+ years of investment experience in corporate finance, private equity, venture capital, investment banking, consulting, microfinance (or other impact investing asset classes) or other finance-orientated job position, at least 4+ years of experience are required for the senior role.
- University degree in finance, business, economics, or engineering; relevant graduate studies would be a plus.
- Perfect fluency in both written and spoken English and Spanish

- High analytical skills, with proven capacity to analyze financial statements and prepare financial models.
- Strong communication skills, confident to present to investment committees.
- Passion for social change through for-profit impact investments.
- A result-oriented, open, and entrepreneurial work attitude.
- Willingness to travel abroad regularly.

- Previous experience in impact investing is a strong plus.
- Previous experience with Climate Adaptation and Mitigation Solutions (nature-based solutions, energy generation and efficiency, transport, etc.) in emerging markets is a plus.
- Previous experience building a network across Latin America and/or India is a plus.

- Applicant must live in or wish to live in Madrid.

WHAT WE CAN OFFER:

- Competitive package including flexible remuneration.
- Entrepreneurial culture, in which high responsibility is received from the beginning.
- Dynamic, growing organization where personal ideas to do things differently are highly valued.
- Contribution to significant social and environmental change with a transformative vision in emerging markets.
- Opportunity to travel and connect across Latin America and India.

HOW TO APPLY: Please send an email with your **CV and motivation letter** to: jobs@gawacapital.com mentioning “Investment Officer” in the subject. Expected starting date: September 2024.