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INVESTMENT ASSOCIATE

A dynamic fund within the infrastructure sector is looking for a self-motivated and driven individual with suitable experience to fill a vacant Investment Associate. The ideal candidate is expected to lead the due diligence, execution and monitoring of private equity investments within the Infrastructure sector. Conducts advanced financial analysis. Assist in coordination of due diligence and research and may serve on the Board of Investee organisation as Alternate Director in exceptional cases. Mainly a support function on all areas of transaction execution. The ideal candidate must have excellent communication skills, and experience in infrastructure project finance. The ideal candidate must be able to work under pressure and demonstrate professionalism at all times. Must be able to think critically and provide insightful analysis of investment related matters.

KEY RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Plays a leading role in the development of the investment thesis and structuring of portfolio investments through insightful analyses of investment dynamics outcomes and oversees the counterparty negotiation parameters.
- Supports fund raising and the initiatives related matters at the manager and portfolio company levels.
- The incumbent will lead under supervision or assistance by a Principal.
- May represents the firm on boards of portfolio organisations and ensures appropriate corporate governance is applied/implemented.
- Involved across the full transaction lifecycle from origination, evaluation, execution, post investment monitoring and exit.
- Substantial contact and network base.

BEHAVIOURAL COMPETENCIES:

- Self-starter and initiator
- Competitive, creative and curious
- Results oriented with excellent problem solving skills and a commitment to quality
- Team player and flexible to adapt to new team dynamics
- Must be able to produce professional results whilst working independently, but at the same time be part of a professional team
- Willing to travel

SKILLS:

- Solid research and analytical skills (critical thinking, problem solver).
- Investment structuring experience.
- Attentive.
- Excellent organizational, multi-tasking and time management skills with demonstrated ability to work efficiently across multiple projects and meet tight deadlines.
- Strong interpersonal skills and ability to work effectively with large, culturally diverse teams at all levels.
- Excellent oral and written communication skills in English are required, including a demonstrated ability to communicate ideas clearly and confidently with good presentation skills.
- Advanced skills in Excel and other financial modelling tools.
- Excellent knowledge of financial infrastructure markets and instruments.
- Good working knowledge of key commercial statutes and regulation (Tax, Companies Act).

QUALIFICATIONS:

- Undergraduate degree, with honours.
- Professional qualification such as MBA or CFA advisable
- Minimum 10 years' working experience with 5-7 years in infrastructure finance
- Debt/lending experience will be added advantage.

The successful candidate for this position will enjoy working with a market leading team in the infrastructure financing and advisory industry, and work on the redevelopment of South Africa's core infrastructure.

APPLICATION DETAILS:

Applications must be sent to: careers@mahlako.co.za

Only shortlisted candidates will be contacted.