**Economist job description**

**Key Responsibilities:**

* Work to develop and implement the organisation’s research strategy under the supervision of the Executive Director.
* Be accountable for the management and delivery of research projects from start to finish
* Supporting other programmes by providing research to support their work and ensuring our communications can be evidenced
* Inputting into Positive Money’s external communications on social media, newsletters, blog, and website.
* Represent Positive Money externally - to a range of different audiences and stakeholders, including to our grassroots supporter network and within policy and academic communities.
* Identifying relevant trends in UK and global economic affairs

**Person specification**

**Essential Experience and skills**

* Minimum of 1 year experience working as a researcher or economist
* A relevant first degree qualification
* Strong quantitative and analytical skills
* Excellent communication skills, especially the ability to write in a concise and persuasive style using formats appropriate to the audience
* Knowledge and understanding of current UK economic policy
* A passion for alternative thinking and problem solving
* High degree of initiative
* Strong project management skills, ideally with experience handling several areas of work simultaneously
* Attention to detail
* Commitment to a genuinely open minded approach to economics and economic policy and a keen interest in how changes to the structure of the banking system and monetary policy could help to address a wide range of economic, social, and environmental problems.
* An effective relationship-builder. Excellent interpersonal skills to work with external researchers.

**Desirable Experience and Skills:**

* Good understanding of current debates in monetary reform including MMT (Modern Monetary Theory) and Sovereign Money
* Knowledge and interest about some of our key research areas including Green central banking, Central bank accountability, and Escaping Growth dependency

**Values and behaviours**

* Commitment to our vision for a fair, democratic, and sustainable money system
* Enjoy working with a high level of autonomy, trust, and open-mindedness
* Commitment to working in an innovative and collaborative way
* Friendly and professional manner
* High degree of maturity and able to respond positively in pressured situations
* Ability to work well alone or within a team, as required, and be self-motivated
* Ability to multi-task and manage interruptions
* Ability to work in time-pressured situations and to meet deadlines
* Be self-reflective with a high degree of empathy and self-awareness

**Terms and conditions**

Contract:​The role is for an initial fixed term of 1 year with a 6-month probationary period. After a year if the contract is extended, a permanent contract will be offered.

Salary:​ Depending on experience £26,000 - 34,000  pro rata + 8% pension contribution

Reporting to: **​**Executive Director, Positive Money

Hours:​ 35 hours per week with some flexibility; the post holder would be expected to work the occasional evening or weekend for time off in lieu. 2 – 4 weekends a year may be

affected.

Holiday:​ 25 days per year in addition to statutory holidays.

Location:​ The role is based at 303 Davina House, 137-149 Goswell Road, London, EC1V 7ET with occasional work away from the office and outside normal office hours.