

Board member Fossielvrij NL

with legal background
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Position:

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About Fossielvrij NL

Fossielvrij NL is striving for a world in ecological and social balance, rooted in justice and liberated from the power and greed of the fossil fuel industry. We aim to break the power of the fossil fuel industry and speed up the transition towards just society, fueled by renewable energy. We do this by building a strong people-powered movement. Together we develop strategic, targeted campaigns. We organize public pressure to ensure that public institutions, such as pension funds, banks, media, and museums, break their ties to the fossil fuels industry as soon as possible. Climate justice is a central component in our campaigns.

We are a small organization, with a team of 8 staff members to support the growing fossil free movement in the Netherlands and set up focus campaigns. The board currently has 5 members, with a wide variety in terms of expertise and background. We work closely together with our international partner 350.org and with other environmental and grassroots organizations in the Netherlands and Europe. In 2021 we celebrated a major success when pension fund ABP decided to divest from fossil fuels. In 2022, we have shifted our focus to campaigning for a fossil free ING banks as well as taking KLM to court because of their misleading advertisements together with Reclame Fossielvrij.

Task description:

We are looking for a new board member to strengthen our team. We are explicitly on the lookout for someone who has a legal background and is willing to contribute to our mission. As the sixth board member, you will join an enthusiastic team. Fossielvrij NL aims for diverse representation, we therefore particularly encourage people who are underrepresented in the climate movement and/or are disproportionately affected by the climate crisis to apply. The tasks will differ according to the needs of Fossielvrij NL, which are divided among all board members. Board members are appointed for a period of two years, with the option of being re-appointed once for another two year cycle. We have 4-6 board meetings per year, and sometimes break-out sessions in between.

We are looking for:

Someone enthusiastic and proactive who wishes to be involved in Fossielvrij NL at a strategic level. We are looking for someone with a legal background, since we have started a lawsuit against KLM's misleading advertising last year.

Understanding of the urgency of the climatecrisis and dedication to the aims of the climate movement is a must. Knowledge of climate justice issues and the specific mission of Fossil Free in the Netherlands is preferred. Interest or experience in board procedures would be very welcome. Verbal and written fluency in Dutch and English is favorable. Experience in finance and budgeting, campaigning, and/or fundraising is particularly desired.

Process:

The new board member will be selected and appointed by a committee with representation of the current board, active participants of the Fossielvrij movement and the Fossielvrij NL team. There is no specific timeline, the position is open until filled.

Interested?

Sent an email with a short motivation and your CV to: Liset@fossielvrij.nl

Note:

Board members receive no remuneration for their administrative duties, nor do they receive an attendance fee. Board members are treated equally to all other active participants with regards to reimbursements.