



Senior Legal Counsel

Position: Senior Legal Counsel

Location: Nairobi.

Summary:

Mirova SunFunder is a world-leading debt financier to distributed solar companies and projects in Sub-Saharan Africa. We are a team of 40 people spanning 15 nationalities. Our Nairobi office is a dynamic, 20-person team of experienced impact driven investment professionals working towards our mission to pioneer and scale clean energy and climate investments in emerging markets. Mirova SunFunder currently has three debt funds under management and is launching the new \$500 million Gigaton Empowerment Fund. This ambitious fund will deepen our footprint in financing the clean energy transition in Sub-Saharan Africa, while also expanding into new geographies like Southeast Asia and exploring new high impact segments like e-mobility

Mirova SunFunder is part of Mirova, a Paris-based management company affiliated with Natixis Investment Managers and dedicated to investing in solutions that accelerate a transformation towards a sustainable world. Mirova is active in various asset classes including equities, fixed income, infrastructure and renewable energies, natural capital, private equity and social impact. With close to € 30 billion in assets under management, Mirova has ±200 employees in Paris, London, Singapore, Nairobi and Boston.

As a Senior Legal Counsel you will be joining the Mirova SunFunder legal team, that is largely based in Nairobi, and the greater legal team of Mirova SA based in Paris, London and USA. You will have an opportunity to work closely with colleagues located across emerging markets. You will report directly to the legal manager for SunFunder Mirova, and to the Head of Legal at Mirova.



Duties and responsibilities include:

- provide legal support to the deal team to ensure that all finance and security documentation is negotiated, structured, and documented suitably in-line with the parameters set by the investment committee and company policies;
- ensure legal policies and processes are implemented during the investment process;
- leading negotiation of transaction documents;
- instructing and managing external counsel, including local counsels;
- supporting the disbursement process and supporting middle office as needed;
- managing transaction process, including various external parties and co-financing parties;
- conducting a comprehensive review of existing loan agreements, updating loan templates; and
- performing research and other tasks as requested.

The Senior Counsel shall also be required to:

- supervise, guide and mentor more junior team members in the performance of their tasks;
- assist in making improvements on legal processes and documentation; and
- act as a sounding board and challenger to the broader investment team and legal team on new product ideas, new sectors.

Experience and Skills:

- qualified lawyer with 5 to 10 years' post-qualification experience in banking and finance, project finance, with strong experience with LMA documentation necessary;
- English law qualified, or with substantial experience advising on English law governed transactions, and having trained at a top-tier or leading mid-tier law firm within your jurisdiction;



- substantial experience in sub-Saharan Africa, Southeast Asia and/or emerging and frontier markets strongly preferred;
- experience in OHADA countries a benefit;
- strong academic background;
- strong team player; and
- excellent spoken and written English communication skills required.

As a learning organisation, we look for people who enjoy learning from as well as teaching others. We celebrate and promote diversity in backgrounds and opinions. In the end, we care about results, and we show flexibility (e.g. working from home).

Compensation:

Competitive, commensurate with experience. Mirova SunFunder offers a unique work culture at an ambitious company that strongly encourages a healthy life-work balance, and an opportunity to work with a fun, passionate and talented international team.

To apply:

Please send a brief cover letter and your CV to jobs@sunfunder.com, "Senior Legal Counsel" in the subject line. Your cover letter should not summarize your CV but rather specify why you believe you would be a good fit for the Mirova SunFunder team.

Application deadline: will be accepted on a rolling basis up to COB 16th December 2022

Target start date: ASAP