

# Associate Investment Manager

**Position:** Full time

**Location:** Nairobi

Mirova, an affiliate of Natixis Investment Manager, is a conviction-based, B-Corp certified management company that offers its clients investment solutions combining the search for financial performance with environmental and social impact. As a 'mission-led' organisation, thanks to multidisciplinary teams united around the same vision, Mirova seeks to direct capital towards the needs of investment in a real, sustainable and value-creating economy.

With more than €25bn in assets under management, Mirova has become an international leader in sustainable finance in both listed and unlisted assets, and has a global presence, with offices in Paris, London, Luxembourg, Boston, Nairobi and Singapore. Mirova has recently launched the [Gigaton strategy](#), with Mirova SunFunder as the Investment Advisor.

[Mirova SunFunder](#) is a world-leading debt financier to distributed solar companies and projects in Sub-Saharan Africa, with a team of 40 people spanning 15 nationalities across offices in Nairobi, Paris, London, comprising experienced renewable energy investment professionals that are driven by a desire to scale distributed energy solutions to solve energy poverty and climate change. Our mission is to pioneer and scale climate investments in underserved markets. We make debt investments in distributed energy and climate projects and companies in emerging markets globally.

Our Gigaton strategy will deepen our footprint in financing the clean energy transition in Sub-Saharan Africa, while also expanding into new geographies in Asia, branching out from solar and into other forms of renewable energy generation, and exploring new high impact segments like e-mobility, energy efficiency, agri-energy, and storage.

We are hiring an Associate Investment Manager, with a quantitative focus to join our investment team based in Nairobi.



You will work as part of our investment team and partner with the legal, ESG, risk, compliance, and portfolio management teams to grow our portfolio of high impact debt investments in existing and new markets and/or segments in a responsible manner.

**Key responsibilities:**

***Senior analyst: (40%)***

*As part of our due diligence process, conduct Investment analysis for our more complex / innovative transactions*

- Ensure all required information has been collected, validated and analysed throughout the due diligence process
- Prepare financial models and conduct thorough financial analysis and due diligence, ensuring that the outputs of your analysis are reflected in deal structure and terms
- Ensure alignment with legal, risk, ESG and compliance processes
- Support and/or prepare investment memorandum
- Support deal structuring, negotiation and legal documentation
- Support post deal approval to ensure successful drawdown through security perfection and adherence to conditions precedent and conditions subsequent
- Conduct research and data analysis on target sectors, investees etc.
- Conduct quarterly financial and business analysis of select portfolio companies
- Support and/or manage relationships with portfolio companies

***Financial modelling training and quality control (35%)***

- Develop and implement an investment analyst training module
- Create standard or template models for common transaction types or business models
- Be the 'go-to' person for technical questions, mentoring and guiding investment analysts to develop in their role
- Provide quality control of financial models for newer analysts
- Develop analysis of historical client data to identify past and current patterns as well as causal relationships

***Fund modelling (25%)***

- Consolidate financial models of portfolio assets at the fund level
- At least Semi annual updates of fund models
- Assist in the analysis and monitoring of fund performance, and communicating this to the internal stakeholders (front office, risk teams)
- Be the point of person between the front and middle offices



### **What we are looking for:**

- Driven by our mission to finance clean energy to help solve climate change and energy poverty.
- Known by colleagues as the financial modelling expert/ “go to” and has a passion for training and developing peers.
- Low ego and has a learning mindset that thrives in a fast-paced environment.
- Demonstrates a genuine interest in understanding business models and the inherent risks.
- Detail oriented, a critical thinker and can question assumptions.
- Strong written and oral communicator in English.
- A proven, proactive problem solver.
- A solid team player with a strong work ethic who delivers high quality and timely outputs.

### **Required experience:**

- At least 5 years’ work experience with corporate finance advisory, private equity, project finance, debt structured finance, or project development in Africa or other emerging markets having worked for an investment advisory firm, investment fund or company.
- Strong academic records from a top-tier institution.
- French speaking capability is a plus.
- Comfort with statistical modelling and knowledge in monte carlo simulation tools and advanced Excel features desired.

You will be expected to embrace opportunities for learning to allow your skills to continuously be tested and flourish. 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). In return, we expect that our team members give their best. Our goal is to create a job opportunity and work environment where you will be motivated to excel daily and have lots of fun while you’re at it.

### **Compensation:**

Compensation will be based upon your experience and skills. We offer generous benefits, a unique work culture that strongly encourages a healthy life-work balance, and an opportunity to work with a fun, passionate and talented team.

### **To apply:**

Please send a brief cover letter and a 1-page CV to [jobs@sunfunder.com](mailto:jobs@sunfunder.com), “Associate Investment Manager (quantitative)” in the subject line. Your cover letter should not summarise 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 15 June 2023.

Target start date: ASAP.