

## **DSO Entity is looking for a Trainee on Legal matters supporting the association**

**Deadline for applications: 26 June 2024**

### **Presentation of DSO Entity**

**DSO Entity represents over 900 electricity Distribution System Operators (DSOs)** of small, medium and large size, connecting 250+ million consumers across the 27 Member States of the European Union. Our European association aims to increase efficiencies in the electricity distribution networks in the EU and to ensure close cooperation with Transmission System Operators and ENTSO-E. As such, DSO Entity will take up a key role in the development and completion of the internal electricity market. It will act as a platform of cooperation between all the electricity DSOs with the overall objective of positioning itself as an expert body tackling essential matters such as **developing network codes & guidelines, promoting the optimal & coordinated planning and operation of DSO/TSO networks, and sharing of best practices** on flexibility, digitalisation of the distribution systems and the integration of renewable energy sources. DSO Entity was formally established in June 2021 after being legally mandated by the revision of the Electricity Regulation (2019/943) as part of the Clean Energy Package.

### **Position Description:**

The successful candidate will join the Strategy, Legal and Regulatory department and support the Legal Advisor on tasks related to legal matters in relation to DSO Entity's role and objectives.

### **Main responsibilities:**

- Provide support to the Legal Advisor in developing and reviewing legal and non-legal texts such as the draft proposals for the Network Codes and Guidelines, Terms and Conditions or Methodologies, Terms of Reference, Memorandum of Understandings, or statutes.
- Assist the Legal Advisor in providing legal expertise on energy related questions to technical Experts Groups on cybersecurity, distributed flexibility, and/or data interoperability etc.
- Support the Legal Advisor in relation to providing legal support to the Strategy, Legal and Regulatory department.
- Provide support to the Legal Advisor on governance matters of the DSO Entity, i.e., development and interpretation of statutes, rules of procedure, and terms and conditions.
- Conduct legal research and provide input for legal analyses and memos.

### **Requirements:**

- University degree in law, preferably with additional specialisation in EU law. Experience in EU energy law and/or cybersecurity law are an asset.
- Thorough understanding of EU processes, decision-making and EU-related organisations.
- Basic understanding of the functioning of the energy system and/or demonstrated interest in energy law is an asset.
- Fluency in English and another European language.
- Ability to learn fast and adapt to a variety of tasks.
- Flexible team player, dynamic and eager to work in a busy and intense European multicultural environment.
- Highly motivated to engage in the energy transition and in the setup of a new association.
- You are Brussels-based or willing and able to relocate shortly.

### **What we offer:**

- Join a **newly established European member-based association** with a clear overriding purpose on actively uniting and facilitating DSOs to make the energy transition happen.
- Be part of a small, international, and dynamic team that has the ambition to develop DSO Entity into a credible and interactive platform and key energy actor in Brussels.
- Benefit of different opportunities for personal and professional development.
- **Full-time 1-year traineeship contract** with professional growth, **starting as soon as possible**.

### **How to apply:**

**Please send your application** with the position you are applying for in the subject line **to [info@eudsoentity.eu](mailto:info@eudsoentity.eu)** in English with:

- maximum 1-page motivation letter in PDF;
- 1-page CV in PDF; and
- Your answer in PDF to the following question: *"My vision on how the distribution system operator landscape has evolved over the past decade in the European Union"* (300 characters)

**The deadline to applying is fixed to June 26, 2024.** Please note that **only complete applications will be considered.** Only short-listed candidates will be contacted. First round of virtual interviews is expected to start around 1 July 2024, optional second and third round in following weeks.