

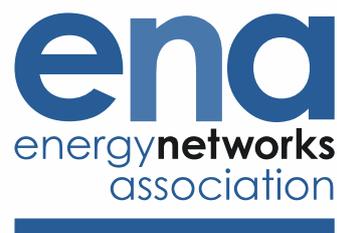
Head of Open Networks

Innovation & Electricity Systems Department

Salary: Competitive salary, dependent on experience

Contract: Permanent, Full-Time

Location: London Bridge/More London – Hybrid Working



About ENA

Energy Networks Association (ENA) represents the transmission and distribution network operators for electricity and gas in the UK and Ireland. Our members control and maintain the critical national infrastructure that delivers these vital services into our homes and businesses. As the voice of the energy networks sector, ENA acts as a strategic focus and channel of communication for the industry.

The near future is likely to bring great changes in the way that energy networks are developed and operated in a smarter environment in order to meet the challenges of a low carbon economy. The successful applicant will play an active role in this exciting work.

About the team:

Our Innovation & Electricity Systems team supports our members with areas relating to the current and future planning, operation, and maintenance of the Energy Networks. We do this through a range of channels including working groups, briefings, events, meetings with external stakeholders and online tools and events. We are a diverse and experienced team who are energetic, passionate and have a strong focus on helping Networks contribute to the Government's Net Zero carbon emissions targets.

Open Networks

The Open Networks programme is a major industry initiative that is transforming the way our energy networks operate, underpinning the delivery of the smart grid in the UK. More information about the project can be found here: <https://www.energynetworks.org/creating-tomorrows-networks/open-networks/>

Open Networks is a key strategic programme that focusses on everything from policy and regulation to technical processes. It is a high visibility and complex programme with a broad stakeholder base across the industry. Given the nature of its work, Open Networks has number of dependencies with other initiatives across ENA and outside that require close management.

Job Purpose

We are looking for a 'Head of' to lead the Open Networks programme at ENA. This is a full time and permanent role that is broad and versatile. You will need to be comfortable with taking a hands-on approach and working in a fast-paced environment.

As part of ENA's Senior Management Team (SMT), you will report to the Director of Innovation and Electricity Systems and will lead a small team at ENA to work closely with member representatives and stakeholders to deliver the objectives of the programme and ENA's broader agenda.

This role requires a strong focus on the delivery of the programme and its outcomes. A core aspect of this role will be to provide programme directorship to help set the strategy for the programme and to deliver it in line with emerging developments across the sector, ensuring that objectives are met.

Key Responsibilities, Tasks and Accountabilities:

The Head of Open Networks will be responsible for assisting with key ENA work areas, which include, but are not limited to the following:

- Leading the Open Networks programme on an annual basis, ensuring risks are managed, issues are resolved, and progress is communicated. This will include scoping, planning, developing, delivering, managing and monitoring the project overall project and all its deliverables
- Driving delivery and monitoring progress to ensure strategic objectives are met
- Managing dependencies and ensuring alignment across ENA initiatives and strategic external initiatives, such as the Smart Systems Plan
- Ensuring that the programme is taking a “learn by doing” approach, using real world learnings from members and Innovation projects
- Managing stakeholders, including managing the Open Networks stakeholder forums such as the Challenge Group and Dissemination forum.
- Ensuring that success of the programme is promoted to industry key stakeholders including through presentations at external forums.
- Overseeing activities and providing guidance to the Open Networks team to support them in meeting their objectives.
- Leading and supporting key strategic developments at ENA on Future Networks
- Other outputs as required by the Director

Person specification

- The ideal candidate will have demonstrable experience in leading complex programmes within the energy sector, as well as experience of managing senior stakeholders.
- They will ideally have a good understanding of the UK energy industry, the roles of various actors and the challenges and opportunities facing them.
- They will have the ability to prioritise multiple tasks efficiently, manage reactive and proactive work, have strong attention to detail and deliver tasks to tight deadlines.
- They will have a high degree of flexibility and adaptability in order to respond to changing needs and the ability to effectively address issues
- A self-starting individual with a strong work ethic capable of planning and managing own time effectively
- A proven record of management and leadership
- Attention to detail, organisational skills and the ability to multi-task
- Well-developed interpersonal skills
- Numeracy skills, including experience in managing budgets
- Strong communication skills
- A sound working knowledge of the Microsoft Office Suite (MS Word, Excel and PowerPoint in particular) and Microsoft Outlook.

Benefits

In return in addition to a competitive salary you will have access to a range of other employee benefits including; 33 days' holiday entitlement; Group Personal Pension Scheme, Annual Bupa Medical Assessment, Employee Assistance Programme and an interest-free season ticket or bike loan.

To apply, please send your CV with a covering letter, outlining why you feel you would be suitable for the role and including details of your current salary to

recruitment@energynetworks.org

Closing date for applications: **Friday 12 August 2022**