

ASSOCIATE, PHILIPPINES

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Position

The Associate will be responsible for **leading government affairs and public policy projects** in the Philippines, across a variety of sectors and in a cross-cultural setting. The role will involve engaging with government, writing analytical reports, and research and analysis of complex policy, political, and policy issues across a wide variety of sectors.

We expect the candidate to be **experienced at project management and client communications**, with proven capacity to drive projects in a high-pressure environment to completion, work with small, nimble teams and external specialists of varying levels of seniority and expertise, and build and sustain external coalitions.

We expect the candidate to be an **adept analytical and strategic thinker**, with well-honed skills in synthesizing complex information, drawing conclusions, and translating them into action. Clearly communicating plans of action to international professionals and senior business leaders will be part of your daily work.

Qualifications

- 5-8 years of relevant work experience in an in-house government affairs or public policy role in a multinational company, consulting, journalism, or think tanks.
- Experience in government relations or public policy roles is strongly preferred.
- Expertise in renewable energy, circular economy, sustainability is strongly preferred.
- Strong knowledge and understanding of politics, government, and the Philippine bureaucracy.
- Effective project and time management skills.
- A relevant undergraduate degree, preferably in areas of economics, business, public policy, law, or international relations. An advanced degree is a value-add.
- Excellent written and oral communication skills in English. Fluency in Filipino is preferred but not required.

Interested candidates should send their applications to careersph@vrienspartners.com and indicate the position being applied for in the subject line.

Please include a cover letter demonstrating interest and fitness for the position (required) and current resume.