The School for Resource and Environmental Studies, Faculty of Management, Dalhousie University invites applications for a Tier 1 Canada Research Chair (CRC) in Social Dimensions of Clean Technology from outstanding candidates who self-identify in one or more of the following groups: racially visible persons or persons with a disability (see www.dal.ca/becounted/selfid for definitions of these groups). In accordance with the requirements established for Tier 1 CRCs (http://www.chairs-chaires.gc.ca/), the successful candidate will be an outstanding and innovative researcher, who is recognized as an international leader in their field, with a superior record of research impact and a demonstrated ability to attract and supervise graduate students and postdoctoral fellows.

Change is a difficult and complex human process. Achieving a decarbonized economy, and reversing other forms of environmental degradation while expanding opportunities for the growing human community entails substantial individual, organizational, political, and social transitions. These transitions to cleaner technologies, practices, and livelihoods are frequently fraught and often resisted. The new Chair’s research program will seek to understand and/or address these challenges through innovative approaches. Consequently, the successful candidate will lead a dynamic, interdisciplinary research program that falls broadly within the social and/or behavioural sciences, and attracts excellent trainees, substantial external research funding, and strong international partnerships. In addition to research leadership, the successful candidate will be expected to contribute commensurately to the teaching and service mandate of the university. A demonstrated commitment to equity, diversity and inclusion principles in scholarship, teaching or service would be considered an asset.

The successful candidate will find a supportive and dynamic intellectual setting for their scholarship at Dalhousie University. Dalhousie has integrated the United Nations’ 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and 17 Sustainable Development Goals into its recently released research strategy (2018-2023). That strategy identifies five signature research clusters for Dalhousie (https://www.dal.ca/research/SignatureResearchClusters.html), of which the new Chair will be expected to make important contributions to “Clean Technology, Energy and the Environment” and “Culture, Society and Community Development”. Institutionally, Dalhousie is a world leader in clean technology research and is home to the Clean Technology Research Institute (https://www.dal.ca/dept/ctri.html). The School for Resource and Environmental Studies and Faculty of Management boast a vibrant research community of scholars that are well poised to support the Chair via scholarship in social dimensions of landscape change, biophysical impacts of technologies, industrial sustainability, consumer decision-making, green supply chains, community engagement and environmental justice.

The successful candidate will hold a Ph.D. in a discipline broadly related to their scholarship in social dimensions of clean technology and will be appointed at the rank of Associate Professor or higher, with tenure if qualifications and experience warrant. Anticipated start date is July 1, 2020 or as negotiated.

All applications should be electronic and include: a cover letter, a detailed curriculum vitae, a brief (three-page maximum) detailed research plan and executive summary, at least five representative contributions from the last five academically active years, the names of three references and a completed Self-Identification Questionnaire, which is available at www.dal.ca/becounted/selfid. Dalhousie recognizes that career paths can be diverse and that career interruptions may occur. Applicants are encouraged to
include, in their cover letter, an explanation of the impact that any career interruptions may have had on their record of research achievement.

Please send the complete application document as a single pdf file to:

Attention Prof. Peter Tyedmers,
Chair CRC Tier 1 in Social Dimensions of Clean Technology Search Committee
School for Resource and Environmental Studies,
Dalhousie University
c/o Ms. Brenda Smart, at srescrc@dal.ca

Review of applications will begin February 1, 2019 but continue until the position is filled.

Dalhousie University is the leading graduate and research university of Atlantic Canada, with more than 18,500 students, including 3,500 in graduate programs, from 115 countries. It is located in Halifax – the major center in the scenic Atlantic region and a city widely known for its high quality of life.

Dalhousie University is committed to fostering a collegial culture grounded in diversity and inclusiveness. In keeping with the principles of employment equity and the CRC program’s equity targets, this position is restricted to candidates who self-identify in one or more of the following groups: racially visible persons or persons with a disability (see www.dal.ca/becounted/selfid for definitions of these groups). Dalhousie recognizes that candidates may self-identify in more than one equity-seeking group, and in this spirit, encourages applicants who also identify as women, Aboriginal or Indigenous people, or persons of minority sexual orientations or gender identities.

Dalhousie also recognizes the need to accommodate candidates to ensure their full, fair, and equitable participation in the hiring process. Our complete Accommodation Policy can be viewed online at: www.dal.ca/policies

For further information about this position, or to request accommodation at any stage of the hiring process, please contact Ms. Brenda Smart, at srescrc@dal.ca.

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