

Job Description



ML4Good Director/Co-Director Role Description

Summary

ML4Good runs in-person AI safety upskilling bootcamps. There have been 15 bootcamps so far with over 300 alumni, and we'll have run 9 this year in Europe, South America, Singapore and Canada. We've also run our first governance bootcamp this summer, with a new curriculum for people with no technical background who want to work in AI Governance.

We're looking for a director to keep the organisation running smoothly, collaborate with the existing team, and make our programmes more impactful.

To apply for this role, please complete [this form](#). We'll be assessing applications on a rolling basis, with a final deadline of September 10th.

About Us

About ML4Good

ML4Good was started in 2022 by the AI Unit of EffiSciences (now CeSIA, the French Centre for AI Safety), and originally operated as a network of bootcamps organised by proactive individuals. At the end of 2024 we set up an organisation to allow for full-time staff and longer-term funding, and received an 18-month grant to run 18 bootcamps. We've also run a bootcamp funded by Erasmus+ from the European Commission. Our goals for this year were ambitious; we've brought ML4Good to new regions, continued running camps in Europe, and developed a governance bootcamp.

The first bootcamps were part of fieldbuilding research by EffiSciences, who concluded that ML4Good was the most effective fieldbuilding activity out of the many things they

tried. Our alumni have gone on to work in the European AI Office, the French Centre for AI Safety (CeSIA), the Observatorio de Riesgos Catastróficos Globales (ORCG), SaferAI, and interning at Redwood Research, Timaeus, and MILA, among others. Many have also gone on to participate in further programmes such as MATS and Pivotal.

Our goal is to transform participants' motivation into insights and concrete steps in 10 days. For example, during ML4Good Brazil, we created and reactivated 4 different AI Safety field-building groups in Latin America: Argentina, Colombia, AI safety Brazil and ImpactRio, and ImpactUSP (University of Sao Paulo).

We're proud to say we receive great feedback. Participants rate us an average of 9.7/10 for recommending this bootcamp to others like them. And, without exaggeration, some participants have told us that ML4Good was the best experience of their life.

The Bootcamps

The bootcamp is an 8-day in-person intensive programme. Our comprehensive curriculum equips participants with the technical skills and critical understanding needed to tackle important AI safety challenges. Each day features a diverse set of activities such as technical coursework, presentations, group discussions, projects, and social activities in the evenings. We emphasize a hands-on application with a literature review project on one day, and a 2-day project at the end of the camp.

Our curriculum is continuously evolving to keep pace with the rapidly advancing field of AI safety. For an example, you can see the [curriculum of our latest bootcamp here](#).

The Current Team

We are looking to replace our current Director, who is planning to leave in a few months. You will work with Nia Gardner, the current Director, for the first months, and our operations manager. You will be supported with weekly meetings with Charbel-Raphael Segerie (Executive Director of CeSIA and co-founder of ML4Good) and monthly meetings with the full board of advisors. The team will initially consist of a director (or two co-directors) and an operations manager.

Why join ML4Good?

It's an exciting time and you'll have the opportunity to shape your role and the direction of ML4Good. There's a large and enthusiastic group of supporters behind ML4Good, such as teachers and TAs, participants who would love to be involved, and people we've worked with in the past who are fully behind making this project a success.

Responsibilities

As the Director, you'll be getting involved and overseeing all aspects of the organisation; the execution of bootcamps, the running of an organisation, managing the team - as well as steering the future trajectory of ML4Good, our strategy, and the development of new programmes.

This will include:

- **Organisation operations** - all the tasks required for running an organisation, such as hiring and management of staff, accounting and finance, managing the budget, and fundraising.
- **Owning the organisation of bootcamps** - Own the running of bootcamps end-to-end. This includes: outreach, application processing, managing the teaching team, participant communications, event logistics, and sometimes attending the camp. This is a hands-on job requiring taking on a wide variety of tasks to keep everything running smoothly, from grocery shopping to sometimes fixing the internet.
- **Developing the existing bootcamp**
 - Managing curriculum development
**You do not need extensive AI safety knowledge for this role. The curriculum is supervised by Charbel-Raphael Segerie and we have technical staff available to develop these programmes, but you are responsible for the project management.*
 - Managing teacher and TA development and progression
- **Making strategic decisions**
 - Some examples of questions include "which regions should we prioritise to run bootcamps in?", "which profiles of participants should we prioritise?"
 - How can we improve our outreach to reach more prospective participants?
- **Developing new programmes**
- **Developing partnerships with other organisations**
- **Evaluating our impact**

What we are looking for

We are particularly excited about working with individuals who:

- Are **interested in developing the field of AI safety**, and motivated by our vision and mission
- Are **experienced** in leadership, operational tasks and taking ownership of projects
 - We are interested in seeing applications from people from different backgrounds
- Are **organised** and able to **prioritise**

- There are many moving parts in this role
- Able to prioritise effectively - to stay on top of urgent tasks while not losing sight of the important ones
- Are **adaptable**
 - This role may grow and change as the organisation does
 - There are a large variety of tasks, and new ones will likely arise
 - Things will inevitably go wrong—able to handle things when things go wrong
- Are **impact-driven**
 - Driven to make ML4Good a cost-effective way to improve the field of AI safety

Logistics

- **Contract length:** Permanent with a 6 month probationary period
- **Hours:** Full-time
- **Salary:** £60,000
- **Holiday:** 25 days/year, plus UK bank holidays
- **Location:** London, UK (preferred) or Remote, and willing to travel to bootcamps as needed
 - Visa sponsorship may be available

Application

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Don't hesitate to email nia@ml4good.org with any questions.