

# Trading Operations Associate

## Company Overview

Applied Financial Technology (AFT [www.appliedfinancialtechnology.com](http://www.appliedfinancialtechnology.com)) is a **technology-based** proprietary trading firm. We develop software for automated trading, risk management, and process automation/control. These components allow us to build scalable trading strategies for financial derivative markets. The core activity of the business focuses on **developing innovative strategies** which combine technology and processes in uncommon ways. This approach enables technology to play a transformative role in trading. AFT targets strategies where a **disciplined approach** to process and automation can transform them into profitable and globally scalable. AFT is based in London and focuses on public exchange-traded products.

## Position Overview

AFT has openings for a Trading Operations Associate to assist in the management and running of automated trading strategies for futures and options. The Trading Operations Team is responsible for the daily operation of the trading systems including all aspects of running the systems. Trading Operations Associates work on the trading desk in close proximity to the Head of Trading. They are involved in oversight of the real-time performance of the trading process which includes monitoring all activity and risk. They also work closely with the trading team to provide analytical and quantitative support for new trading ideas. They understand the trading process and to seek out ways to create efficiency in the trading process through the use of technology and effectively communicate these ideas to the team.

## Key Responsibilities:

- Monitor the behavior of the real-time trading systems
- Understand the key risk features of the trading strategies
- Communicate issues around trading behavior to the rest of the team
- Understand the rationale behind the trading algorithms and make suggestions for improvement
- Work with the technology teams to communicate possible efficiency improvements in the trading process

## Skills & Qualifications:

- Strong quantitative analytic, modeling, pricing and risk management skills;
- Computing and programming (coding) skills and experience, utilizing programming languages such as Python, R, Java, VBA, SQL, Java, Matlab;
- Relevant education such as a BSc / MSc in a relevant subject such as Finance, Maths, Physics, Computer Science, Econometrics, Statistics or Engineering, or the equivalent work experience or qualifications;
- The ability to communicate effectively across multiple teams and functions
- Excellent presentational skills;
- A team player with strong interpersonal skills and multi-cultural understanding;

- Ability to multi-task different projects, collaborate across multiple teams and prioritize against tight deadlines;