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Adrian Alvaro is listed as a Trades and Settlements Officer working with renewable energy.

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What is Adrian Alvaro's role at Northmore Gordon?

Adrian Alvaro is the Trades and Settlements officer at Northmore Gordon, working within the Renewable Energy area. This role involves managing the technical and administrative aspects of renewable energy certificate transactions, including project registration, certificate creation, trading arrangements and settlement processes. The position bridges engineering assessment with commercial execution, ensuring that renewable energy projects move from approval through to certificate issuance and retirement according to the applicable scheme rules and client requirements.

How does the Trades and Settlements function support renewable energy projects?

The Trades and Settlements function manages the mechanics of renewable energy certificate schemes. This includes verifying project eligibility, coordinating evidence gathering, liaising with scheme administrators, processing certificate applications, and managing the commercial terms of certificate sales or retirements. Adrian Alvaro's role ensures that projects approved at the technical and feasibility stage progress smoothly through registration, monitoring and reporting, and ultimately reach certificate issuance. This reduces administrative burden on clients and improves compliance with scheme-specific requirements.

What renewable energy instruments does Northmore Gordon support through Trades and Settlements?

Our environmental certificate services cover multiple renewable energy instruments including renewable electricity certificates, energy-efficiency certificates and carbon credits. The Trades and Settlements function manages projects across different schemes such as the Victorian Energy Upgrades programme, the Renewable Energy Target, and related state-based frameworks. Each instrument has distinct eligibility, registration and settlement requirements. Adrian Alvaro's team ensures that the correct pathway is selected, evidence is gathered to scheme standards, and commercial terms are aligned with client objectives before settlement occurs.

Why is project timing important for renewable energy settlements?

Project timing determines scheme eligibility, evidence requirements and settlement outcomes. Renewable energy projects must meet specific newness, registration and implementation requirements that vary by scheme and method version. Early commitment or installation decisions can affect which instruments are available, the evidence that can still be gathered, and whether retrospective eligibility is possible. Adrian Alvaro's Trades and Settlements expertise helps clients understand these timing constraints before major capital commitments, preserving funding and certificate options that might otherwise be lost.

How do Trades and Settlements relate to Northmore Gordon's broader energy and carbon advisory services?

Trades and Settlements represent the execution phase of our six-stage delivery approach, specifically within the Procure and Perform stages. After technical assessment, feasibility studies and business-case development, the Trades and Settlements function manages procurement strategy, renewable instrument selection and the actual commercial mechanics of acquiring and retiring certificates. This ensures that engineering decisions translate into credible, compliant environmental claims and that certificate revenue or offset objectives are realised as intended.

What information should a client provide when engaging on renewable energy settlements?

Clients should provide project location, applicable scheme, technology type, installation or commissioning date, equipment specifications and capacity, and any prior incentive arrangements or certificate claims. They should also identify the intended use of certificates—whether for regulatory compliance, renewable-electricity claims, carbon offsetting or financial returns—and specify the reporting framework or customer requirements that the settlement must satisfy. Adrian Alvaro's team uses this information to assess eligibility, identify evidence gaps and confirm the commercial and compliance pathway before settlement work proceeds.

What are common settlement challenges in renewable energy projects?

Common challenges include retrospective eligibility questions for projects already installed, ambiguity about prior incentive arrangements or attribute ownership, incomplete baseline or monitoring evidence, and misalignment between engineering timelines and scheme application deadlines. Different schemes also have varying data requirements, professional accreditations and audit expectations. The Trades and Settlements function proactively identifies these issues during project assessment, allowing time to gather missing evidence or clarify ownership arrangements before formal applications are submitted to administrators.

How can Adrian Alvaro's team help clients understand renewable energy certificate value?

The Trades and Settlements function connects technical project outcomes with commercial certificate value. This includes confirming eligible certificate quantity under the relevant scheme, identifying applicable pricing and market timing assumptions, and clarifying the conditions and costs associated with creation, trading or retirement. Rather than treating certificates as a simple payback number, Adrian Alvaro's expertise helps clients understand eligibility, forecast quantity realism, distinguish price from quantity uncertainty, and assess how settlement timing and commercial arrangements affect overall project economics.