EURATEX

EURATEX - the European Apparel and Textile Confederation - works to achieve a favourable environment within the European Union for design, development, manufacture and marketing of textile and clothing products. Through its membership, it represents 197.000 European companies with a combined turnover of €170 bln. Working together with EU institutions and other European and international stakeholders, EURATEX focuses on clear priorities: an ambitious industrial policy, sustainable supply chains, effective research, innovation and skills development, free and fair trade (www.euratex.eu).

To strengthen its Brussels team, EURATEX looks for an experienced and motivated

SENIOR POLICY OFFICER FOR CHEMICAL POLICIES

Reporting to the Director of Sustainable Business, she/he will be responsible for:

Duties

- Developing and managing the advocacy strategy for different chemical restrictions; managing working group/s composed by member associations and other experts;
- Managing regulatory and technical tasks in chemicals policy (REACH, POP, others);
- Monitoring, analysing and conveying complex technical messages into "layman" terms for different audiences
- Leading sector position papers, coordinating with other industries on joint statements, delivering public presentations
- Representing EURATEX in different fora, from technical to broader policy (ECHA RAC, SEAC, Enforcement Forum, CARACAL, OECD, UN) to Textile-related industry fairs
- Liaising with other downstream and upstream industry associations, NGOs, institutions both EU and global
- Supporting the EURATEX Sustainable Businesses work in areas as: Circular Economy, chemical recycling, IED and other tasks as required

Education and experience

• Different profiles are considered, but technical/scientific education and other education backgrounds complemented by proven successful work experience in the chemical policy area is required.

Requirements

- Over 10 years of proven and relevant working experience within EU regulatory affairs and use of chemicals in textile manufacturing. Ideally, experience both in companies and in an industry association;
- Success record in previous professional experiences, goals achieved and overcome challenges;
- Excellent command of written and spoken English;
- Work experience in international business environment (including EU institutions) is an asset



Skills

- Team player, ability to work independently and smooth coordinating with colleagues, members and supervisor
- Ability to assess EU policies and the impact on the textile value chain, manage complex and technical issues and convey in simple language
- Ability to manage different and occasionally opposing members' positions and summarise their implications
- Embraces both leadership and supportive skills when needed; generates curiosity and willingness to learn
- Takes responsibility and accountability for his/her actions
- Excellent communication and interpersonal skills, particular emphasis on cross-cultural sensitivity
- Ability to prioritise workload, be proactive and problem-solving

The Senior Policy Officer position is full-time starting as of **September 2024**, located in Brussels and includes travel opportunities. EURATEX offers a competitive salary package with considerable fringe benefits.

Applications with CV and a brief letter of motivation should be addressed to the office manager <u>Julie.Cammaerts@euratex.eu</u> as soon as possible. Interviews with pre-selected candidates will be starting in August.

Applicants hereby consent that their personal data are processed by EURATEX for recruitment purposes. Regretfully, only shortlisted candidates will be contacted. EURATEX pursues gender balance and diversity in its recruitment policy.