JOB DESCRIPTION

The Authority is an equal opportunity employer.

Position: Manager (EU Affairs, Policy Development & Programme Implementation)

Reporting as necessary to

The Chief Executive Officer (CEO) and to the Senior Manager (Policies & Programmes).

Subordinates:

Other members of staff as directed from time to time by the CEO or management.

Purpose

The Manager (EU Affairs, Policy Development and Programme Implementation) will assist the Senior Manager (Policies & Programmes) on the development and review of internal, national, EU and other international policies or programmes and on their implementation by the Occupational Health & Safety Authority (OHSA). The selected candidate will provide the support, management and skills so that all the duties and functions that fall within this section are carried out in a timely and efficient manner.

Contract:

Indefinite | 40h/week | Position is subject to a probationary period of twelve (12) months

Duties & Responsibilities:

Technical / Position Specific Responsibilities:

- Monitor OHSA's compliance with its obligations in the field of occupational health and safety (OHS) arising from its international commitments and draw up, the necessary reports/feedback and their timely submission, according to these obligations.
- Draft guidelines, memoranda, meeting briefings, reports and instruction notes.
- Together with the team ensure the internal coordination of EU and other international commitments and local positions within OHSA.
- Assist OHSA in following up the discussions during transposition of EU Directives and other international instruments and to draw up the necessary reports/feedback and their timely submission, according to these obligations.
- Be involved in all public consultation processes initiated by or which require the involvement of OHSA.
- Actively assist/participate/advise on international developments on OHS matters, particularly but not limited to current and future EU Directives.
- Identify external funding opportunities for OHSA projects or initiatives, including but not limited to local and EU funded programmes and assist OHSA in the drawing up of the necessary funding applications.

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- Manage EU funded projects on behalf of OHSA. This may include the monitoring of the projects' implementation, the achievement of indicators and issues relating to contracting and disbursement of projects vis-á-vis the respective grant agreements.
- Co-ordinate, assist and participate in regular meetings with the various OHSA sections or individuals, in order to ensure adequate follow-up to matters at hand.
- Take/or assist in coordinating strategy and policy initiatives in assigned areas, including those initiated at EU level, so as to ensure that appropriate early action is undertaken to define a way forward and chart a goal plan.
- Draw up reports and office briefs on matters related to the OHSA's role, from a local as well as an international perspective.
- Participate and represent the Authority in inter-departmental and governmental meetings both locally and abroad, as may be directed from time to time.
- Actively engage in networking activities, internally and externally, related to the incumbent holder's responsibilities
- Provide assistance, if so required, in managerial duties as directed by OHSA.
- Compile data and statistics, undertake research, and prepare reports and documents as necessary.
- Organise and participate in meetings and take minutes of discussions in Malta and abroad as necessary.
- Participate in training, meetings, seminars, conferences etc. both locally and abroad.
- Carry out any other responsibilities as delegated by the CEO.

Supervisory - the appointee will be required to:

- In liaison with the CEO and the Senior Manager (Policies and Programmes), prepare work schedules and workplans for any direct subordinates and to review performance on regular basis against set objectives.
- Report sectional achievements, KPIs to the CEO and the Senior Manager (Policies and Programmes).
- Offer assistance and/or advise other OHSA staff in matters arising.
- Ensure best attitude, behaviour, language and appearance thus portraying the best image and reputation of the Authority.
- Report to the CEO and the Senior Manager (Policies and Programmes), any anomalies in regard to the above.
- Be subjected to a performance appraisal.

- General – the appointee will be required to:

- Follow policy and management directives.
- Prepare timely data submissions and any other documentation as required.
- Maintenance of source documents and filing to ensure continuation and audit trail.
- Prompt CEO and the Senior Manager (Policies and Programmes) to problem areas.
- Liaise with Government institutions as and when required.
- Keep abreast with Government policies, procedures and applications, and follow training as directed.
- Participate as required in professional meetings/seminars/workshops, including training locally and abroad, and review scientific literature and preparation of technical reports

and publications.

- Execute any other duties as may be determined from time to time by the CEO and the Senior Manager (Policies and Programmes)..
- Represent OHSA in radio and, or TV programmes as necessary.

Appointment

A Manager (EU Affairs, Policy Development & Programme Implementation) shall be appointed and assigned to areas according to the exigencies of the service.

Direct Guidance / Supervision

Under the direct supervision of the CEO and the Senior Manager (Policies & Programmes), who shall be available to give guidance and direction as required.

Conflict of Interest

The position holder will be allowed to work private practice, with the prior written approval of the CEO and in line with the Authority's Standard Operating Procedure for Private Work and Conflict of Interest.

Qualifications, skills and experience required:

Qualifications:

- By closing time and date of this call for applications, applicants must be:
- Eligibility:

i.

- a. citizens of Malta; or
- citizens of other Member States of the European Union who are entitled to equal treatment to Maltese citizens in matters of employment by virtue of EU legislation and treaty provisions dealing with the free movement of workers; or
- c. citizens of any other country who are entitled to equal treatment to Maltese citizens in matters related to employment by virtue of the application to that country of EU legislation and treaty provisions dealing with the free movement of workers; or
- any other persons who are entitled to equal treatment to Maltese citizens in matters related to employment in terms of the law or the above-mentioned EU legislation and treaty provisions, on account of their family relationship with persons mentioned in paragraph (a), (b) or (c); or
- e. third country nationals who have been granted long-term resident status in Malta under regulation 4 of the Status of Long-Term Residents (Third Country Nationals) Regulations, 2006 or who have been granted a residence permit under regulation 18(3) thereof, together with



family members of such third country nationals who have been granted a residence permit under the Family Reunification Regulations, 2007; or

f. in possession of a residence document issued in terms of the "Residence Status of United Kingdom Nationals and their Family Members in Malta in accordance with the Agreement on the Withdrawal of the United Kingdom and Northern Ireland from the European Union and the European Atomic Energy Community Regulations".

The advice of the Citizenship Unit within Community Malta Agency and the Expatriates Unit within *Identita*` should be sought as necessary in the interpretation of the above provisions.

The appointment of candidates referred to at (b), (c), (d) and (e) above would necessitate the issue of an employment licence in so far as this is required by the Immigration Act and subsidiary legislation. Jobsplus should be consulted as necessary on this issue.

ii. able to communicate fluently in the Maltese and English languages

AND

must be in possession of a recognised Masters' degree at MQF Level 7 (subject to a minimum of 90 ECTS/ECVET credits, or equivalent*) in European Studies or Social Policy or Public Policy or Public Administration or Business Administration or Project Management

OR

must have a First degree at MQF Level 6-180 ECTS/ECVET credits in European Studies or Social Policy or Public Policy or Public Administration or Business Administration or Project Management with 3 years' experience in the related sector

OR

must have a Higher Diploma at Level 5 - 60 ECTS/ECVET credits in European Studies or Social Policy or Public Policy or Public Administration or Business Administration or Project Management with 5 years' experience in the related sector

- * In the absence of documentary evidence as to the ECTS/ECVET credits or other system of measuring the course content, the selection board is to evaluate the submitted programme of study and determine that it is comparable to the number of ECTS/ECVET credits as above. The advice of the MQRIC may be sought.
- (i) Qualifications at a level higher than that specified above will be accepted for eligibility purposes, provided they meet any specified subject requirements.
- (ii) Moreover, candidates who have not yet formally obtained any of the qualifications will still be considered. Such candidates are to submit evidence that they have been approved for the award for the qualification in question.
- (iii) Furthermore, candidates who are following a recognised programme of study of a higher MQF level than that requested above will also be considered. Such candidates are to submit evidence that they have successfully completed the necessary ECTS/EECVET credits, or equivalent, and attained the required MQ level, by the closing time and date of the call for applications.

- Skills:

- strong interpersonal skills, in particular the ability to be assertive
- strong analytical and reasoning abilities
- excellent oral and written communication skills in Maltese and English
- have the ability to meet strict deadlines
- expected to be fully conversant with mainstream office software in use at OHSA, which currently uses a Windows 10 Enterprise Operating System, MS Office 365 Pro.

- Experience:

 Except as provided above, experience in a similar role and be able to demonstrate or show track record will be considered an asset.

Other issue pertinent to this call:

Applicants must be of conduct which is appropriate to the post applied for. Applicant must produce a **certificate of conduct issued by the Criminal Records Office** or other competent authority not earlier than one (1) month from the date of application and state whether they have ever been in Government Service, giving details. In the case of applicants who are in the Malta Public Service, the GP 47 will be requested by the Authority from the Director responsible for HR where applicants are serving.

- Verification of Qualifications

Original certificates and/or testimonials are to be invariably produced for verification at the interview

- (a) With respect to qualifications produced in response to this call for applications, applicants are required to produce a recognition statement by the Malta Qualifications Recognition Information (https://mfhea.mt/academic-qualifications/) based within the Malta Qualifications Council, or by any other designated authority, as applicable. Such statement should be attached to the application and the original presented at the interview.
- (b) Candidates are to submit a **Jobsplus History sheet** in support of claimed work experience.

- Submission of supporting documentation

Qualifications and experience claimed must be supported by certificates and/or testimonials, copies of which should be attached to the application. Scanned copies sent electronically are acceptable.

- Selection procedure

Eligible applicants will be assessed by a Selection Board to determine their suitability for the position. The board's recommendations shall be forwarded in a report to the CEO who shall then give direction.

- Submission of Applications

Applications are to be submitted, for the attention of the Senior Manager (Corporate Services) through the designated mailbox recruitment.ohsa@ohsa.mt only. Applications are to include a Europass format Curriculum Vitae https://europa.eu/europass/en/create-europass-cv (which should also include a list of

qualifications held by applicant).

The closing date of the receipt of applications is Friday, 21st June 2024, 16:00h (Central European Time).

Applications will be duly acknowledged by return email.

It is the responsibility of the applicants not to leave until the last thirty (30) minutes for submission of their application.

Applications received after closing date and time (i.e. late applications) are not allowed.

Applicants are granted up to two (2) working days after closing date or up to two (2) working days from date of notification, whichever is the latest, to submit any incorrect or incomplete or missing documents.

- Conditions of Employment

OHSA's Collective Agreement for Managerial Grades (CAMG), SOPs and policies issued from time to time, shall regulate all matters relating to conditions of employment other than as specified in the terms of remuneration and other benefits.

- Remuneration and Other Benefits

The Employee shall be entitled to a salary of **Manager** at the Occupational Health & Safety Authority.

In the absence of a new Collective Agreement which expired in December 2022, the annual salary for 2024 for a Manager (pegged to Scale 5 of *Collective Agreement for Employees in the Public Service 2017-2024*), as adjusted for 2024 (Ref. IRU 16/02/2024) starts at a minimum of ϵ 31,997 up to a maximum of ϵ 35,841, a communication allowance of ϵ 1,600 annually and an all-inclusive transport allowance of ϵ 4,658 per annum is also applicable. Salary figures are inclusive of adjusted 2023-4 COLA.

The Employee shall be paid an annual Performance Bonus of up to 10% per annum on the basic salary.

Concurrent Issue of this vacancy:

If recourse to issue an Expression of Interest and/or Public Notice (following Jobsplus procedure as per ETS Act) is eventually taken, mention is made that available vacancies are filled on the basis of the internal call result and, when exhausted, through the Expression of Interest and/or through Jobsplus procedures, as applicable. Extract from Manual for Public Sector Entities: Delegation of Authority to effect Recruitment, Promotions and Industrial Relations – Section 3.6(ii)

The website and email address of the receiving entity for this post is: ohsa.mt & recruitment.ohsa@ohsa.mt