

The Consumer Voice in Europe

Health Policy Officer Full-time 12-month contract

BEUC, The European Consumer Organisation, is looking for a policy officer to reinforce its health team, in particular on files related to the safety and accessibility of medicines.

With at least 3 years of experience in a position dealing with the development and application of EU legislation, you will report to the Team Leader in charge of health.

The tasks of the position will include to:

- Provide intelligence, information and advice to the BEUC secretariat and BEUC member organisations on consumer issues in EU policies relating to the safety and accessibility of medicines;
- Prepare responses to consultations, position papers and technical briefings on these issues;
- Undertake EU advocacy work in these fields including representing BEUC and its member organisations in external meetings and at conferences;
- Maintain and develop contacts with EU officials, MEPs and other relevant stakeholders.

The main qualifications we are looking for are:

- a master's degree (a degree in Health Economics or Public Health would be an asset);
- at least 3 years of professional experience working on EU health policies;
- the ability to write and communicate well in English and preferably also in French knowledge of other EU languages would be an advantage;
- a good working knowledge of the EU institutions;
- a proven ability to understand, appreciate and explain the technical issues which arise in the public health areas;
- a proven interest in understanding, appreciating and articulating the consumer interest in health areas;
- ability to work well with people from diverse backgrounds;
- team player; ability to perform under pressure; well organised.

What we offer:

- A multidisciplinary and multicultural working environment within an organisation dedicated to the promotion of the interests of consumers;
- Networking opportunities with numerous stakeholders and decision makers;
- A full-time 12-month fixed term contract with a competitive package (salary, fringe benefits and extra-legal paid leave). Upon end of this contract, a follow-up openended contract could be made available.

Applications for the position should be sent by 3 March 2019 by e-mail to apply@beuc.eu with subject line: *Health Policy Officer*.

The first round of interviews will take place on 8 March 2019.

For immediate entry into function.

Please note that due to the volume of applications expected, only shortlisted candidates will be contacted.

Your application should include the following documents (with your name as title):

- 1. A short motivation letter
- 2. A detailed curriculum-vitae
- 3. In a separate file, answers to the following questions:
 - o Why would you like to work at BEUC?
 - Briefly explain the main reasons that motivate you to work at BEUC, using maximum 150 words.
 - o Why should BEUC appoint you?
 - Tell us why you think we should appoint you rather than other candidates, using maximum 150 words.
 - What are, according to your analysis, the most important challenges EU consumers currently face in the context of access to medicines.
 - Using maximum 250 words.

Any incomplete applications will be disregarded.

BEUC is an equal-opportunities employer.

<u>Privacy policy</u>: The personal data we collect during hiring processes is only used for the purposes of carrying out the selection process and is deleted once the process has ended. For shortlisted candidates, we routinely ask for their consent to keep their information for 6 months after the end of the selection process, in case other vacancies that could fit their profile open up.