

Food Policy Assistant

**Full-time 6-month contract
Starting 1st September 2019**

BEUC, the European Consumer Organisation, is looking for a food policy assistant to assist the BEUC Secretariat and our members in campaigning to influence EU food policy and legislation.

The duties of the Food Policy Assistant would include the following:

- support the food team on all aspects of EU food policy and legislation;
- monitor institutional developments and deadlines regarding ongoing legislative procedures;
- draft reports on internal and external meetings;
- gather data, articles and studies on issues related to food topics;
- collect and compile BEUC members' comments, articles and other information when consultation with BEUC members takes place;
- monitor policy developments, especially in relation to nutrition policy (e.g. nutrition labelling, food marketing to children) and food labelling (e.g. nutrition and health claims, alcohol labelling);
- assist in drafting position papers and annual monitoring reports.

The main qualifications we are looking for are:

- a Master's degree in European Affairs or any other relevant field (public health, nutrition, food science, food law, etc.);
- good (working) knowledge of the EU institutions;
- good communications skills;
- an understanding of consumer issues and a commitment to advancing the interests of consumers;
- very good English required, French an asset;
- excellent English writing skills required;
- interest in European consumer protection;
- interest in public policy and advocacy.

What we offer:

- a multidisciplinary and multicultural working environment within an organisation dedicated to the promotion of European consumer interests;
- a non-routine job implying research and action in several topics related to legal interests of consumers in the EU;
- networking opportunities with numerous organisations in the 28 Member States;
- a full-time 6-month fixed term contract with a competitive package (salary, fringe benefits and extra-legal paid leave).

Applications for the position should be sent **by 25 June 2019** by e-mail to **apply@beuc.eu** with subject line: **Food Policy Assistant**.

The first round of interviews will take place the week of 1st July 2019

For entry into function as of 2nd September 2019.

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:**
 - Why would you like to work at BEUC?
 - Briefly explain the main reasons that motivate you to work at BEUC, using maximum 150 words.
 - 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 food policy reforms the EU should undertake to protect consumers.
 - Using maximum 250 words.

Any incomplete application will be disregarded.

If you are interested in this position, you might want to learn more about EU consumer law and policies. You can do it by [applying to Consumer Champion e-learning courses](#). Choose your topic of interest and follow the course in your language, at your own pace.

BEUC is an equal-opportunities employer.

Privacy policy: 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.