

Job offer – Public Affairs Manager

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About UNIFE

UNIFE is the European Association of train-builders and rail equipment manufacturers. UNIFE brings together more than 100 member companies based all over Europe – from numerous SMEs to major global players – active in the manufacture of rail vehicles (trains/trams/metros/locomotives/freight wagons) as well as the production of signalling and infrastructure equipment.

Based in Brussels, UNIFE represents its Members' interests at the level of both European and international institutions. Moreover, UNIFE informs its Members on all EU policies and funding instruments of interest for our industry.

Job description

We are looking for a Public Affairs Manager who will be responsible for:

- The portfolio of **EU Investment policy**
(i.e. all available European funding and financing schemes, including CEF and TEN-T policy; Structural Funds and Cohesion Policy; EU Recovery Package; Neighbourhood, Development and International Cooperation Instrument; EIB instruments, EU work on Sustainable finance, etc.)
→ Tasks: the Public Affairs Manager will be in charge of following the development of the EU Investment policy; monitoring the calls for proposals of interest to UNIFE Members; steering an advocacy campaign at EU level and in all Member States to secure EU investment for rail; building and maintaining close links with EU Institutions (cf. Commission/European Parliament/Permanent Representations/EU Committee of the Regions), with national Governments and Financial Institutions (such as EIB, EBRD, World Bank).
The Public Affairs Manager will be in charge of UNIFE's *Investment and Project Financing High-level Expert-Group*.
- The portfolio of **Export Credits**
(i.e. export credits provided by Governments through Export Credit Agencies in support of national exporters competing for overseas sales)
→ Tasks: the Public Affairs Manager will be in charge of following the OECD Rail Infrastructure Sector Understanding (RSU) and of monitoring international developments regarding Export Credits and project financing.
- **Research analysis and monitoring of international markets' developments**
(in coordination with the Public Affairs Manager responsible for International Affairs and the UNIFE World Rail Market Study)
→ Tasks: the Public Affairs Manager will be in charge of gathering and providing information to UNIFE Members about market developments (main stakeholders, foreseen investment, regulatory framework...) in key geographical areas in the world.

Candidate's requirements

- Master's degree in economics, law or political sciences with 3-5 years professional experience in EU Public Affairs.
- Knowledge and previous experience with European and international funding & financing instruments.
- Knowledge of EU transport policy is an advantage.
- The candidate must be fluent in English; knowledge of other European is an advantage.
- Strong coordination/organisation skills and excellent written and verbal communication skills.
- Rigorous, detail oriented and strong analytical skills.
- Ability to work both independently and closely with all members of the UNIFE team.
- Willingness to travel abroad on a regular basis.

We offer:

- A stimulating and dynamic international environment
- An attractive remuneration package suited to the candidate's education and experience

To apply please send a CV together with a cover letter to roxana.ribeiro@unife.org by 21 July 2020. Interviews shall be held remotely via Microsoft Teams between 23 and 30 July.