

Job description –Advocacy and Campaigns Officer, Health and Chemicals

Reporting to: Programme Lead, Health and Chemicals.

Purpose of the role: The Advocacy and Campaigns Officer supports the implementation of advocacy and campaign action plans on key files of the Health and Chemicals programme. This involves working closely with HEAL members and partners and representing HEAL in collaboration spaces with other civil society organisations, keeping abreast with key policy and network developments, and engaging with EU-level policymakers and other key stakeholders to promote HEAL positions and call on them to enact evidence-based, health protective policies.

Salary scale: B

Key duties:

Advocacy and campaigning

- Support the development and implementation of advocacy and campaign plans, activities and materials on key Health and Chemicals files, under the guidance of the Programme Lead
- Help develop advocacy arguments and engage with EU-level policymakers and other key stakeholders to promote HEAL positions in decision-making processes
- Contribute to the development of advocacy and campaign materials as per the Programme priority needs (letters, statements, advocacy interventions)
- Monitor EU policy developments and political processes in areas of interest and identify opportunities and propose activities as they arise
- Synthesise reports and data (e.g. from EEA) and write backgrounds and summaries on policy developments, key political junctures, for internal use and for network engagement

Network engagement

- Engage HEAL members and partners on key Health and Chemicals files, under the guidance of the Programme Lead
- Outreach to new health organisations to strengthen and increase the network and engagement
- Represent HEAL in civil society forums and coalitions and contribute to activities on behalf of HEAL
- Support the Health and Chemicals programme's capacity-building activities



Policy

- Monitor relevant science and research which could be used in HEAL positions and advocacy
- Carry out policy research, analysis and scoping as per the needs identified in the programme; monitor relevant scientific developments in relation to the programme's priorities

Organisational development

- Help foster a continuous learning environment at HEAL
- Contribute to HEAL's fundraising efforts and help with HEAL's reporting obligations to funders
- Actively participate in HEAL meetings and HEAL general assembly

Person specification

Required skills, knowledge and experience

- Master's degree in European public policy, political science, public health, public affairs or related subjects, or comparable professional experience
- Good understanding of EU policy-making processes and interest in advocacy
- Excellent analytical and implementation skills
- Strong oral and written communication skills in English
- Excellent interpersonal and influencing skills
- Ability to establish and maintain strong and broad stakeholder relationships
- Adaptability, high level of autonomy, good organisational skills
- Commitment to HEAL's values and mission

Desirable skills, knowledge and experience

- 1-2 years of experience in EU advocacy
- Experience in developing and implementing successful advocacy plans
- Experience in drafting advocacy materials and liaising with decision makers
- Experience in pesticides and/or chemicals policy highly desirable
- Knowledge of additional European languages