



The UECBV - the European Livestock and Meat Trades Union - is the united representative body of national federations of the livestock trade, livestock markets, meat industry (slaughterhouses, cutting and preparation plants), wholesale meat trade, international meat traders. In total, some 20,000 firms of all sizes and over 230,000 jobs are represented within the UECBV through its national member federations. The vast majority of these enterprises are small and medium enterprises (SMEs), so a key focus of the UECBV is to promote trade facilitation for Europe's SMEs. UECBV facilitates the dialogue between EU institutions and meat business operators, whilst promoting a sustainable meat chain, a fair and competitive market, and a positive environment for growth.

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UECBV is seeking for immediate recruitment of a

Veterinary Advisor

The successful candidate will join the Brussels-based team and participate in the running of the UECBV structure, in the heart of the European quarter. Remote work is also possible in special circumstances.

Main responsibilities and tasks:

- Collecting, monitoring, assessing and reporting on EU Institutions' activities regarding all veterinary matters related to the meat and livestock sectors. In particular, management and preparation of technical and regulatory files as well as communication material related to veterinary issues (animal health and animal welfare) and trade (SPS measures, trade negotiations, import-export health certificates)
- Organising, managing and reporting UECBV working groups and committee meetings on various veterinary issues (livestock section, export, veterinary issues, horse meat) and AEMB (European Association of Livestock Markets). Providing policy advice and technical assistance towards the development of advocacy strategies, and the work of the experts
- Presenting the position of UECBV at the different platforms related to veterinary issues
- Drafting reports and policy papers and updating data weekly on the animal health situation in Europe
- Building and maintaining relationships with EU institutions (including European Agencies), MS permanent representations, other international organisations (e.g. OIE), EU stakeholders
- The veterinary advisor may also be involved in the preparation and organisation of larger projects, such as general assemblies, inter-professional working groups and international conferences
- Travel will/may be required

Required qualifications and competencies:

- A university degree in Veterinary Medicine or Animal Production
- Knowledge of the EU regulatory functioning and environment (experience with food legislation is an asset)
- Work experience: at least two years
- Experience (including internship) in EU institutions is a plus
- Strong team working ability and flexibility to integrate into different fields of work
- Excellent communication and language skills: English is a MUST; other EU languages are an asset
- Standard computer/IT skills, including MS-Windows and its applications

Should your background and personal experience fit the profile, please send us your complete application, i.e. cover letter clearly stating your motivation and Curriculum Vitae.

Please apply to the Secretary General of UECBV, Karsten Maier, at jobs@uecbv.eu.

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