

Donau Soja is a European non-profit organisation based in Vienna that promotes the European protein transition and supports its members and partners to address challenges in protein and soya production and consumption. Our core work is developing sustainable, regional and non-GMO soya production in Europe based on our standards.

Donau Soja is looking for a highly motivated and qualified person to fill the position of

MULTICROP PLANT BASED FOOD SYSTEM PROJECT MANAGER

You will be based in Vienna and report to the President of the Donau Soja Association. You will be responsible for the development of a new multi crop quality system, brand, and business model for European, non-GMO and sustainable plant-based food. These new systems will build on 10 years of Donau Soja experience in developing successful brands and standards such as Europe Soya, Donau Soja and Fields of Europe. It will link the entire value chain from farmers to retailers and plant-based food producers across Europe.

You will be responsible for outreach to European food retailers, brands and other actors in the sector for plant-based alternatives to animal products. This growing sector needs stronger links to European farmers to meet consumer demand for natural, European and sustainable raw materials. You will build a steering committee of committed forerunners in the industry to work together on the standard for the vegan alternative sector. At the same time, you will work with an international and multidisciplinary team of Donau Soja colleagues to write the standard, develop branding and business models.

You are responsible for the budget and the timely implementation of the project. After the project development phase, you will continue to implement and run the new systems.

Your future role:

- Together with our Market Development Team you present the concept to companies to build a group of important stakeholders into a steering committee
- You manage the steering committee and working groups, driving forward the discussions and with the goal of a timely and successful agreement
- You coordinate communication with the Donau Soja offices and teams
- You act as spokesperson for the project at internal and external occasions

Duties/Responsibilities:

- You collaborate with the president and the executive leadership of Donau Soja to ensure internal information and decision flows
- You develop marketing and communication materials for the projects
- You organize, manage and document meetings in internal and external formats
- You create guidelines, standard documents and related material
- You work with colleagues to get internal services and support for the projects
- You create contracts with service providers and manage the relationship with them
- You perform other related duties as assigned.

Job requirements:

- Outgoing and entrepreneurial personality
- Interest in sustainable agriculture and food production
- Ability to manage complex and demanding multi stakeholder projects
- Work experience in a similar environment and project management
- Strong leadership skills
- Excellent verbal and written communication skills in English. German. Other European languages are a plus.
- Excellent communicator: ability to work with management, employees, media, and the larger community, strong interpersonal skills
- Experience in an international work environment
- University degree in environmental studies, agriculture, or natural sciences or other relevant studies
- Pro-active and passionate personality, self-motivated and flexible
- Structured and well-organised way of working, high resilience, attention to detail
- Ready to travel within Europe
- Proficient in Microsoft Office Suite or related software.

We offer you:

- Contribute to shaping the success of a successful and fast growing international not-for-profit organisation
- Work in an international team (colleagues from seven European countries)
- Work at the interface between the private sector, politics, and civil society
- Full-time position
- Vienna - 1010 central location

For this position we offer an attractive salary that matches your qualifications and experience. For legal reasons we would like to point out that a minimum salary of EUR 60,000 gross per year applies. Overpayment is possible if you have the appropriate professional experience and qualifications.



If this challenging position appeals to you and you are interested in working with us, we look forward to receiving your application, preferably by e-mail with the subject "Application Multicrop and Food Manager " to Elena Covelli: covelli@donausoja.org.