



Cefic, the *European Chemical Industry Council*, is both the forum and voice of the European chemical industry. It aims to maintain and develop a prosperous chemical industry in Europe by promoting the best possible economic, social and environmental conditions to bring benefits to society.

Cefic is located in Brussels to represent the industry vis-à-vis EU institutions and involve member federations and companies in European advocacy. We employ more than 150 people.

For its Innovation department, Cefic is looking for a (M/F):

Innovation Manager

Position

- **Secondment from member company to Cefic for three years**
- **Part of longer term career planning within the company**
- **Capacity building around the EU Research and Innovation policies and funding schemes, including HORIZON 2020 and Horizon Europe**

Mission of the role:

For the Programme Innovation, Cefic is seeking an Innovation Manager for the next 3 years, to drive proposals and execution of projects for Cefic and maximize the value of the results. As part of a team focusing on topics such as raw materials, alternative feedstock for the chemical industry, new materials, resource efficiency and process technologies, the open position targets an expert with a strong background in materials technologies. This charter also includes related policy components and industry communication activities in order to drive sustainable innovation across the value chain and demonstrate the chemical industry's innovation capacity as solution provider. This will provide the opportunity to company personnel to gain exposure to a broad European institutional and stakeholder network and give insight into the project planning and implementation within the EU research and innovation programme.

Are you inspired by these responsibilities?

You will:

- Shaping and managing the work of Cefic Innovation on topics related to the Strategic Innovation and Research Agenda of the SusChem technology platform with a focus on advanced materials.
- Driving active contributions of the chemical industry in EU research and innovation agenda, including cross-sectorial collaborations.
- Shaping the input of the chemical industry on EU innovation policies and priorities.
- Driving appropriate "innovation mind-set change" in related industry activities (sustainability flagships, low carbon energy, resource efficiency...), also in cooperation with other European stakeholder platforms.



Can you make the difference?

The successful candidate will be a highly experienced professional who demonstrates the following **experience and competencies**:

- Academic postgraduate (PhD in Chemistry , Polymer Science or Chemical Engineer)
- Minimum 10 years' experience in the chemical industry (Research and Innovation, process technologies, chemical engineering) and strong expertise in materials technologies, such as new material developments, composite materials, formulations, structure/property relationships...
- Understanding of research/new business development and technology is essential, with ability to think across value chain in terms of delivering innovations to the market

Required personal qualities:

- Proven project management skills
- Self-starter with the ability to work, network and interact with specialists from a broad range of backgrounds (technical and non-technical)
- Ability to work in an international cross-cultural setting with industry and academia
- Integrated thinking, motivation skills, demonstrated teamwork competences, communication to broad audiences.
- Full written and oral proficiency in English

Are you interested?

Please send your application with full curriculum vitae **before 5 October 2018** to:

Cefic

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