

Position: EU Project and Policy Officer on Soil-related projects Location: Brussels, Belgium Type: Full-time

Are you passionate about international collaborations, project management, and shaping policies to promote sustainable land use and soil management? We are seeking a motivated and dedicated EU Project and Policy Officer to join our dynamic team. In this key role, you will contribute to impactful **soil-related projects** across Europe, align with the Mission Soil of the European Commission, and influence policy discussions around sustainable agricultural and environmental practices.

The organisation

The European Landowners' Organization (ELO) is a Brussels-based association committed to promoting sustainable land management across Europe. Our mission is to advance practices that support biodiversity, ensure food security, protect natural resources, and foster rural development. ELO actively engages in European-funded soil-related projects focused on sustainable land use, regenerative agriculture, fostering bio-diversity and environmental protection. We play a leading role in policy development and bring together stakeholders to engage in discussions about soil health, climate resilience, and sustainable agriculture.

Key Responsibilities:

- Coordinate and manage EU projects, ensuring timely execution and adherence to budgets and goals.
- Monitor project progress, identify potential risks, and implement effective solutions to ensure successful outcomes.
- Develop and write project proposals, reports, and deliverables, showcasing the achievements and impact of our initiatives.
- Lead the development of communication and dissemination activities within European projects, effectively conveying project objectives and results to diverse audiences.
- Monitor and contribute to the development of EU policies on soil, sustainable agriculture, and natural resource management.
- Participate in discussions with EU institutions and stakeholders to influence policy development in the areas of soil management and agricultural sustainability.
- Build strong partnerships with stakeholders across various European countries to foster collaboration and exchange.



• Organize and facilitate meetings, workshops, and conferences to promote knowledge exchange and collaboration.

Qualifications:

- Bachelor's or Master's degree or PhD in a relevant field such as agriculture, environmental science, land management, or a related discipline.
- Experience in the full project management cycle, including development, implementation, and reporting, preferably in the framework of EU-funded projects related to soil or environmental sustainability
- Proven experience in designing and implementing strategic communication plans, preferably in a European project context, including social media campaigns, press releases, and targeted outreach efforts.
- Strong understanding of European Union institutions, policies, and funding programs, particularly in the fields of agriculture, environment, and soil conservation.
- Excellent written and verbal communication skills in English; additional European languages are a plus.
- Detail-oriented with exceptional organizational and multitasking abilities.
- Proficiency in using project management and communication tools and software.

What we offer

- Opportunity to work on impactful projects that contribute to positive change across Europe.
- Collaborative and inclusive work environment that values diverse perspectives.
- Flexible work arrangements to support a healthy work-life balance.
- Professional development opportunities to enhance your skills and expertise.
- Competitive salary and benefits package.

Application Process

To apply, please submit your CV and a cover letter detailing your relevant experience and why you are interested in this role. Email your application to sylwia.kwiecinska@elo.org. Application deadline is 18.10.2024.