

JOB DESCRIPTION

JOB TITLE: Policy officer for Railways
REPORTING TO: General Secretary
Head of Land Transport
TYPE OF POSITION: full-time, permanent contract

Introduction

Upon the decisions taken at the Barcelona Congress in 2017, the European Transport Workers' Federation (ETF) embarked on a change process with the view to adapt its structure to serve better the needs of the affiliates and to achieve its renewed political objectives. The changes include the progressive creation of a management team working closely with the General Secretary and which consists of the people coordinating the work of the various sections. Following the changes already implemented in the maritime and aviation department, the structure is being adapted in order to have a political lead which coordinates a team of policy officers in the Land Transport Department.

Key responsibilities

- Coordinating the activities of the Railway Section including all sub-sectors
- Supporting the work of the Head of Land Transport
- Organising, attending and animating meetings and ensuring follow-up in close cooperation with the dedicated Administrative Assistant
- Researching on subjects relevant to railways
- Being the direct point of contact for the affiliates and dealing with their requests
- Writing policy documents, reports, position papers and similar
- Coordinating the ETF participation in external bodies and representation of the ETF as requested
- Creating survey databases, collecting input and preparing analysis
- Submitting and implementing EU co-funded projects
- Informing and consulting the Section on political developments
- Representing the Railway Section in internal and external meetings
- Coordinating the ETF's work in the framework of the Sectoral Social Dialogue Committee for Railways
- Cooperating with other policy officers in the Land Transport Department and beyond
- Cooperating with the dedicated Communications Officer
- Cooperating with the campaigner on design and implementation of campaigns related to railways
- Liaising with the ITF Inland Transport team

We are looking for a candidate with

- Graduate level education or equivalent experience
- Experience in trade unions
- Expertise in railways is a strong asset
- Fluent in English, any other European language is an asset
- Good communication skills, ability to synthesize
- High level of proactivity and flexibility to deal with complex processes
- Ability to work independently and in a small team
- Ability to work in a fast paced environment
- Good knowledge of Office software (Outlook, Word, Excel, PowerPoint)
- Availability to travel regularly

We offer

- A full-time permanent contract with a competitive package (salary, fringe benefits and extra-legal paid leave)
- A multidisciplinary and multicultural working environment
- Involvement in a variety of campaigns, projects and initiatives
- The office is located in the center of Brussels

Equal employment opportunity

ETF is committed to the principle of equal employment opportunity for all employees, regardless of sex, marital status, nationality, religion, age, sexual orientation and any other characteristics unrelated to the performance of the job. Selection will be in accordance with objective, job related criteria and the appointment will be on the basis of applicants' merits and abilities.

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