

### **Sustainability & Public Affairs Officer**

#### **Do you want to contribute to EU sustainability and help shape the future of packaging in Europe?**

Steel is already the most recycled packaging material in Europe. At Steel for Packaging Europe (SfPE), based in Brussels, we make it even more circular by contributing to practical, science-based EU policymaking. SfPE represents the 5 main European steel packaging producers, with facilities across France, Germany, Italy, Spain, the Netherlands, the UK, and Slovakia. Together, our member companies employ around 200,000 people in Europe, including 15,000 in packaging.

#### **About the role:**

This is a hands-on position with a strong focus on sustainability, giving you the chance to apply technical skills and develop expertise in EU policymaking and circular economy initiatives. You will also gain experience in Public Affairs, working closely with the Head of European Affairs and engaging with industry stakeholders.

#### **What you will do:**

- Work on key EU files such as the Packaging and Packaging Waste Regulation (PPWR) and circular economy initiatives.
- Analyse and translate EU legislation into practical guidance for industry
- Contribute to position papers, consultation responses and technical briefings and advocacy materials
- Support SfPE's work on recyclability, recycling rates and environmental performance
- Coordinate and follow up on working groups (Sust WG and PA WG) with industry experts across Europe
- Engage with EU institutions and stakeholders, working closely with the Head of European Affairs on advocacy activities, meetings and events.

#### **Your profile:**

- 2–5 years of experience in sustainability; we are open to candidates from any academic background, provided they have relevant practical experience.
- Strong interest in EU sustainability policy and circular economy
- Ability to analyse complex information and communicate it clearly
- Well organised, proactive and comfortable managing several topics at once
- Excellent English (additional EU languages are a plus)

#### **What we offer:**

- A supportive, international team where your ideas are valued, proactivity is encouraged, and you can gradually grow to take full ownership of your projects and responsibilities.
- A high-impact role contributing to EU sustainability and packaging policy, with direct exposure to EU institutions, industry leaders, and policymaking processes.
- A flexible and trust-based working environment, including working from home and adaptable working hours.
- A 40-hour workweek, giving a total of 32 days of annual leave.
- A full-time Belgian contract (university level) with a competitive salary and benefits (meal vouchers, phone subscription, 100% transport costs covered, hospitalisation and group insurance etc.), including an allowance to cover home office costs.

Deadline for applications: April 15, 2026, COB.

More information on SfPE website: [www.steelforpackagingeurope.eu](http://www.steelforpackagingeurope.eu)

Please send your CV and cover letter to the association Secretary General Steve Claus: [steve@steelforpackagingeurope.eu](mailto:steve@steelforpackagingeurope.eu). Please clearly mark: "Sustainability & PA Officer" in the subject of your application.

Please note that only shortlisted candidates will be contacted latest by April 22, 2026.

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