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ABOUT SAI PLATFORM

The Sustainable Agriculture Initiative Platform (SAI Platform) was established in 2002 by the food and drink industry to support the development of sustainable agriculture worldwide and drive change at farm-level. SAI Platform operates on a pre-competitive and non-commercial basis, driving change through collaboration. Today, SAI Platform has over 80 members across the value chain, covers major agricultural commodities and operates globally.

SAI Platform is overseen by an Executive Committee and run by a Secretariat of ten people working from various locations around the world in a virtual team. The core areas of activity are four commodity-focused working groups and the Farm Sustainability Assessment Programme (FSA Programme). These develop and manage a wide range of activities and tools, including principles and practices for sustainable agriculture and practical tools for farmers.

PROGRAMME LEAD – BEEF AND DAIRY WORKING GROUPS

(32 hours per week)

The Beef and Dairy Working Groups Programme Lead will oversee and implement activities in collaboration with members and SAI Platform management, in line with both Working Groups' three-year work plans. They will identify, prioritise and organise the activities needed to successfully meet the Working Groups' objectives and the overall SAI Platform strategy. SAI Platform is looking for a constructive problem solver and creative thinker with an engaging personality to work on content, engagement and logistics. The Programme Lead reports to the Director of Operations.

Responsibilities

- Manage both the Beef and Dairy Working Groups from strategy to day-to-day operations (including management of external contractors)
- Build stakeholder engagement and commitment, share insights, manage expectations



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- Work with members to initiate and develop projects that the Working Groups commit to undertake
- Organise and manage budgets, resources and funding for Working Group initiatives
- Establish and optimise evaluating and reporting mechanisms to monitor and share progress

Candidate requirements

- Strong strategic, analytical and conceptual skills
- Thorough understanding of sustainability improvement approaches in food and drink value chains
- Multi-stakeholder orchestration track record, business-like approach
- Proven success in consulting and large-scale project management
- Excellent organisational and interpersonal effectiveness
- Native or near-native level English speaker with excellent verbal and written skills
- Self-motivated and able to work remotely with a virtual team
- Experience in beef and dairy sectors preferable and a minimum of 8 years of relevant work experience

Applications

SAI Platform offers an international and entrepreneurial role in a dynamic playing field with substantial impact potential. This position is open to freelancers as well as on an employee contract basis. The role involves some travel (10-20%). SAI Platform invites candidates of all nationalities, living in Europe, to apply, however, only candidates who have or do not need a work and residency permit for the EU can be considered.

SAI Platform works with [Duurzaamheid Werkt](#), a recruitment agency for positions in sustainability. Please send your application (a CV of no more than two A4 pages, and a one-page cover letter) to application@duurzaamheidwerkt.nl, mentioning 'SAI Platform Programme Lead BD' in the subject line. For more information about this position, please contact Caroline de Greeff: +31 (024) 844 20 84.