EUROCHILD CHILD PARTICIPATION COORDINATOR
Vacancy Notice

Temporary cover for period: March 2024 – August 2024 (6 months) contract – Brussels based.

Eurochild is an international non-governmental organisation based in Brussels, which promotes the well-being and rights of children and young people at the European level and, through its membership, in European countries. We are supported financially by the European Commission. In the almost 20 years since its establishment, Eurochild has grown into one of the most influential networks on children’s rights in Europe. It has 200 members across 41 countries in Europe.

About this position

This position at the Brussels-based Secretariat of the Eurochild network is a temporary cover for the position of child participation coordinator. This position entails the delivery of Eurochild’s strategic goal on child participation, supporting how it is translated into activities, so that the network can lead by example and demonstrate how children’s rights to participate can be realised in practice. The role involves working directly with children and accompanying adults selected to work with Eurochild, as well as involvement in project delivery with Eurochild members. The child participation coordinator is responsible for activities and events with direct children’s involvement, including assuring safeguarding and pedagogical and meaningful activities and outcomes and overseeing partnerships with external partners and trainers.

Child safeguarding and protection is a key area of the job and the coordinator has responsibility to ensure compliance with Eurochild’s child protection policy as well as child participation standards liaising with events coordinators. The candidate will also be responsible for child safeguarding risk assessments and develop and implement child protection and safeguarding protocols. The child participation coordinator supports the offer of child participation and safeguarding trainings, including effective quality assurance and controls. The Child Participation Coordinator provides guidance and supervision to the Child Participation Officer and the Child Participation and Events Intern.

We are looking for a motivated individual with experience and a keen interest in child participation and child protection. The Child Participation Coordinator will work with the Child Participation and Policy Officer, the Child Participation and Events Intern, as well as other members of our team.

Support and supervision

The Temporary Child Participation Coordinator will report to the Director of Child Rights and Capacity Building. The candidate will also receive support from the Child Participation and Policy Officer as well as other members of the team.

Candidate profile

We are looking for a candidate with:

- Minimum 3 - 5 years of relevant experience in a similar role, at national or international level.
- Knowledge and experience in facilitating activities with children from diverse backgrounds and countries.
- Knowledge of child safeguarding and child protection in the area of child participation.
- Experience in child participation and child safeguarding trainings for adults and children.

Eurochild advocates for children’s rights and well-being to be at the heart of policymaking. We are a network of organisations working with and for children throughout Europe, striving for a society that respects the rights of children. We influence policies, build internal capacities, facilitate mutual learning and exchange practice and research. The United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child is the foundation of all our work.
- Strong interpersonal and communication skills, with specific skills in communicating with children and young people
- Strong organisational and time management skills, ability to multitask, and high attention to detail
- Strong computer skills, especially Microsoft Word, Excel, Outlook and online platforms
- Good spoken and written English is a requirement; other EU languages are an asset
- Ability to work independently and collaboratively in a dynamic team environment
- Ability to provide 2 professional references

Conditions

- 3200 – 3500€ gross monthly salary depending on experience
- Benefits (13th month, lunch tickets, full hospitalisation & pension insurance)
- Location: Eurochild Secretariat, Brussels.
- Preferred starting date: mid-March 2024.
- Type of contract: 6 months (temporary)
- The successful candidate must have the right to live and work in Belgium

Are you interested?

To apply:
Please complete this online form in English, add your CV (pdf) and submit.
Deadline for applications: 29 February 2024, midnight (CET).

Only short-listed candidates will be notified and invited to the first round of online interviews (6 March 2024 - date to be confirmed). Pre-selected candidates might be invited for a second round of online interviews with members of the Eurochild Children’s Council. The selected candidate is expected to start in March 2024.

If you have not been contacted by us by mid-March, please assume you have not been selected for the interviews. We thank you for your interest in Eurochild and wish you every success in your future.

Confidentiality: All information given upon application will be treated in a confidential manner and according to Eurochild’s privacy policies.

Eurochild is an equal opportunity employer. We are guided by the principle of non-discrimination on any ground, and we apply such principle in our day-to-day operations and in our employment practices.

If you have any questions about this vacancy, please email Eurochild Director of Child Rights and Capacity Building, Mieke Schuurman – mieke.schuurman@eurochild.org