

Vacant Position - Adviser, EU Legal & Consumer Affairs

Eurofinas, the European Federation of Finance House Association, is looking for an Adviser in EU Legal and Consumer Affairs.

Who are we?

Eurofinas, the European Federation of Finance House Associations, is the voice of consumer credit providers at European level. As a Federation, Eurofinas brings together 17 Member Associations from across Europe that represent consumer credit providers. The scope of products covered by Eurofinas' members includes all forms of consumer credit products such as personal loans, linked credit, credit cards and store cards. Its members are essentially finance houses, specialised banks, captive finance companies for cars, equipment & manufacturers and universal banks. The mission of Eurofinas is to represent and promote the interests of its members at European level.

To achieve this Eurofinas:

- Represents the consumer credit industry vis-à-vis the European institutions and other international bodies as a fair and reliable partner and a contact point for key stakeholders.
- Informs its members of all European and/or international developments that may impact their industry.
- Develops and defends industry positions that are supported by technical research and expertise.
- Produces detailed statistics on consumer credit in order to i) explain who the Federation represents and its importance in the economy and ii) assess the current state of the market, identify trends and facilitate benchmarking.
- Provides its members with a platform to (i) exchange views and best practices; (ii) network and (iii) meet relevant third parties (EU officials, experts, etc.).

Your main responsibilities

Work together with the Eurofinas' team of advisers as well as the policy teams of the Member Associations to formulate, develop and promote the Federation's objectives:

- Identifying, monitoring, analysing, advising and reporting on EU initiatives that may impact on the activities of consumer credit providers (e.g. Consumer Credit Directive, anti-money laundering, GDPR, insolvency law, credit mediation, etc.)
- Drafting and delivering of position papers, reports and briefings
- Helping in providing the secretariat to the Federation's Legal Policy Committee and its sub-groups (involving the preparation of meeting agendas, supporting documents, minutes, etc.)
- Contributing to the development of the Federation's strategy, priorities and agenda
- Representing the Federation vis-à-vis relevant policy-makers and standard-setters
- Offering support to the various Committees and Groups
- Maintaining and building upon the Federation's contacts with key opinion-formers and decision-makers in the European Institutions, supervisors and regulators, other European federations, and in international bodies

- Maintaining close contact and good working relationship with Eurofinas' members
- Authoring articles for submission to specialised press and giving presentations
- Contributing to the Eurofinas newsletter and other Eurofinas publications
- Working closely with co-advisers to organise and develop the programme of the Federation's Annual Convention and representing the Federation at the Annual Convention
- Working closely with counterparts in sister Federation Leaseurope, representing the leasing and automotive rental industry

Your qualifications

The successful candidate will have the following qualifications:

- University degree in law, business, economics and/or political science
- Thorough understanding of European public affairs with at least 2-3 years relevant experience
- Proven knowledge and experience of the European Institutions, consultancy and / or a European trade federation with a solid understanding of the EU decision-making process
- A broad interest in financial services and ambition to further develop expertise on the subject-matter

Personal skills

- Ability to present information and arguments in an articulate and persuasive manner in English (native speaker level) – Additional languages an asset
- Excellent communication skills
- Attention to detail
- Sense of diplomacy, political sensitivity, ability to reach a compromise between organisations with diverging interests or positions
- Creativity and flexibility
- Ability to function in a small team

We offer

- The chance to become part of a pan-European entrepreneurial trade association
- A nice working environment
- An intellectually challenging position
- High visibility and close interaction with senior industry representatives and media
- A small, flexible, young and dynamic team
- A competitive remuneration package commensurate with qualifications and experience

Applications

To apply for this position, all of the following should be sent to Ms. Anne Valette, Director General – a.valette@eurofinas.org by **04/03/2019**:

- A cover letter describing why you are best suited for this particular position
- A detailed CV
- A piece of recent English written work undertaken solely by the applicant

Please mention in the subject of your e-mail "Eurofinas – Adviser, EU Legal and Consumer Affairs"