Deutsche Stiftung Weltbevölkerung (DSW) is a global development organisation that focuses on the needs and potential of the largest youth generation in history. We are committed to creating demand for and access to health information, services, supplies, and economic empowerment for youth. We achieve this by engaging in advocacy, capacity development, and reproductive health initiatives, so that young people are empowered to lead healthy and self-determined lives. With our headquarters in Hannover, Germany, DSW operates two liaison offices in Berlin and Brussels, as well as maintaining a strong presence in Ethiopia, Kenya, Tanzania, and Uganda.

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DSW seeks to recruit a

Advocacy officer for 8 months (parental leave cover) starting in August 2021
Based in Brussels

This is an exciting opportunity for a European affairs professional with fluent written and spoken English language skills, interested in working in an organisation with a dynamic and committed team in the field of gender equality, youth, global health and international development.

Based in Brussels, the advocacy officer will support the DSW advocacy strategy on sexual and reproductive health and rights (SRHR), especially on youth and gender equality-related matters and on global health research and development for poverty-related and neglected tropical diseases (in short global health R&D or GH R&D).

Areas of responsibility for the position include:

- Support the Head of the Brussels office/Head of Advocacy unit, EU in the implementation of advocacy activities against work plans, budgets and develop recommendations and annual work plans
- Monitor and analyse EU policies and political processes in the areas of EU development and research policies;
- Develop specific analyses on EU budget and programming policies regarding these issues, including the research of data on respective EU funding commitments and expenditures;
- Develop strategic recommendations, advocacy materials, briefing papers, newsletters, and other advocacy documents;
- Coordinate advocacy activities with partners and colleagues from other DSW Offices, including organising visits to Brussels, events, and meeting programmes;
- Represent DSW in external events and meetings, as well as towards external stakeholders on communications in agreement with the Head of the Brussels office/Head of Advocacy unit, EU;
- Support the Head of the Brussels office/Head of Advocacy unit, EU and International Communications Manager in preparing regular reports and M&E activities and support resource mobilisation activities

Requirements

- At least 3 years of working experience on EU advocacy
- General knowledge of EU policy-making processes, poverty alleviation, development cooperation, health-, research- and gender-related policy matters
- Knowledge of sexual and reproductive health and rights and of global health R&D desirable
- Experience in data analysis, knowledge of the OECD reporting system desirable
- University education (Master’s degree), possibly in European public policy, political science, public health, development cooperation, public affairs, or other related subjects
- Fluent oral and written English with very strong editing skills, French and/or German (good knowledge equivalent) will be a strong asset
- Strong, persuasive oral and written communication skills
- Strong analytical and strategic thinking skills
- Supportive of DSW’s mission and vision
- Work and residence permit for Belgium

DSW is an equal opportunity employer and seeks to employ and assign the best qualified personnel regardless of race, colour, religion, gender, marital status, age, national origin, physical or mental disability or sexual orientation.

If you are interested, please send your application (CV and motivation letter) with the reference “Temporary Advocacy officer” to: brussels@dsw.org

- Deadline for application: May 2, 2021
- Ideal start date: July 1, 2021

Please note that only short listed candidates will be contacted. Interviews will take place in May.