

Our client is a well-renowned player in the food sector with world-wide activities and reputation. Due to considerable growth, the organization currently has an opening for the vacancy of

**European Co-manufacturing Project Buyer Foodtechnology**  
**Ref. AN303**

Provide general support to Category Manager Contract Manufacturing in relation to all activities in range of European Contract-Manufactured products. This includes the following activities:

1. Work with the business sponsor and all functions impacted by the area sourced both at a European and local business level, to develop and agree the mid-long term category strategies (min 3yrs) for the categories.
2. Actively search for innovation ideas of all kinds and communicate to business teams and sponsors.
3. Contribute to Make-or-Buy analysis.
4. Contract manufacturing market intelligence, i.e. market research and benchmark studies
5. Coordination and expediting change- and project management: Work with R&D and Marketing to coordinate process / new product requirements, translate into cost effective operational plans for co-manufacturers
6. Admin and reporting support
7. Negotiation and conclusion of European contract manufacturing agreements, incl. SLA (incl. the setting up and running of eRFI, eRFP and e-negotiations where appropriate)
8. Report enablers projects, cost savings and prepare budget & strategic planning input
9. supplier relationship management and negotiation: Ensure appropriate communication systems are established with all existing and new co-manufacturing partners

**Profile**

- Minimum education required: Higher vocational education / Business, Engineering or Technical Degree
  - Years of relevant experience: Preferably 3-5 years in business environment (purchasing / contract manufacturing and / or project management)
  - Knowledge, skills and abilities required:
    1. Business background understanding of purchasing and purchase processes, contract management, negotiation
    2. Basic understanding of cost analysis and contracting;
    3. Analytical thinking; broad range of interests
    4. Good interpersonal skills in order to build relationships internally and externally;
    5. Ability to work within an international environment
    6. IT skills: fluent in Windows Office pack and MS Project
    7. Languages: business English – basic French and/or German recommended
  - Strong conflict management and influencing skills
- Normal office environment with about 6-8 days/ month travel

**Offer**

We offer plenty of opportunities to develop your competence and expertise and we encourage individual initiatives and personal engagement in an international working environment. You can count on an attractive compensation and benefits package.

**Questions**

For further information, please contact Rina De Reys on +32 477/06.86.91

**Interested?**

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