



**Science and Technology
Community Coordinator:
Job Brochure**



Welcome to the Good Food Institute Europe!



“I’m delighted that you are interested in working with the Good Food Institute Europe! We are an international NGO helping to build a more sustainable, secure and just food system by transforming meat production.

“I hope this brochure brings our work to life, and tells you more about what you will be doing as SciTech Community Coordinator. We are looking for an amazing person to help drive our mission forward, and we’re really looking forward to hearing from you. Good luck!”

Seren Kell, Science and Technology Manager, GFI Europe.

(Quick links: [full job description](#), and [application form](#))

GFI Europe's mission:

To build a better food system for people, animals and the planet.



The challenge:

Conventional animal agriculture is a significant contributor to the world's most pressing problems:



Global food insecurity

Growing crops to feed them to farm animals is inherently inefficient, driving up the price of grains and legumes and entrenching global poverty.



Environmental degradation

Conventional animal agriculture is a top contributor to climate change, water scarcity and pollution, rainforest destruction and loss of biodiversity.



Antibiotic resistance

The majority of antibiotics used are used in animal farming. This is accelerating the evolution of antibiotic-resistant bacteria – undermining the effectiveness of lifesaving drugs.



Needless suffering

Conventional animal agriculture subjects animals to extreme confinement, trauma and painful mutilations.

The solution:

Transforming meat production

Plant-based meat



All the components of animal meat – sourced directly from plants.

Cultivated meat



Exactly the same as the beef, pork, chicken and seafood people enjoy eating today – but grown directly from animal cells, without antibiotics, faecal contamination or slaughter.

Our theory of change

People from all walks of life want our food system to be sustainable, secure and just.

But studies consistently show that taste, price and convenience decide what most people eat.

So at the Good Food Institute Europe, we're advancing plant-based and cultivated meat, eggs, dairy and seafood, to make them as delicious, affordable and accessible as conventional animal products.

By making meat from plants and growing it from animal cells, we can reduce the environmental impact of our food system, decrease the risk of zoonotic disease, and feed more people with fewer resources.

We're working to make these better, more sustainable options the default choice across Europe.



Our focus areas



Science and Technology

We [work](#) with scientists to develop, fund and promote open-access research on plant-based and cultivated meat, eggs, dairy and seafood.



Policy

We [advance](#) government investment in sustainable protein R&D and infrastructure, as well as fair regulation and legislation.



Corporate Engagement

We [support](#) companies to make delicious and affordable plant-based meat available across Europe, and prepare the sector for the arrival of cultivated meat.

To read more about how we achieve impact, please check out our [website](#) and our latest [Year in Review](#).

Our Science and Technology work

Mobilising scientists and funding to build a sustainable food system

The challenge: Plant-based, cultivated and fermentation-made meat, eggs, dairy and seafood are relatively new and need improved funding, expertise and networks of scientists to thrive.

GFI Europe action: Inspiring and supporting scientific and technological innovators, and mobilising funding for open-access research.

Impact: Plant-based and cultivated meat succeed across Europe, contributing to a more sustainable, secure and just food system.

(See pages 12-15 on [GFI's 2020 Year in Review](#) and our global [Strategic Plan](#) for more info)



How you will make a difference

This is a high responsibility and high impact role. You will significantly influence how quickly Europe and the world move to a more ethical and sustainable food system.

We need the best scientists to be engaged in plant-based, cultivated, and fermentation-made protein research and development. Additionally, the growing industry will need a steady supply of talent to comprise their future technical workforce.

You will be responsible for driving our scientific ecosystem-building work across all of Europe. The focus of this role is ensuring that the research community increases significantly in size, growing rapidly to represent a mature, innovative, and prestigious academic field. You will also work with students and educational institutions to build a strong scientific training ecosystem, fully equipped to meet the technical needs of this growing industry. As a result, the sustainable proteins industry will present an obvious and promising career path for scientists and engineers across the continent.



Meet some of the GFI Europe team



[Seren Kell](#), our **Science and Technology Manager**, is based in the UK. Her background is in biochemistry and cell culture media, and she co-founded Cellular Agriculture UK. In her most recent role, she was connecting R&D-focused companies with academia to foster greater collaboration.



[Richard Parr MBE](#) is the **Managing Director** of GFI Europe, based in the UK. He worked as Special Adviser to the UK Prime Minister between 2012 and 2016, and as Special Adviser to the Secretary of State for International Development from 2010-12 and 2016-18. In government, his main focus was on international development policy, and he worked closely on the formation of the UN Sustainable Development Goals.



[Carlotte Lucas](#) is our **Corporate Engagement Manager**. Based in the Netherlands, Carlotte works with businesses across Europe. Her background is in change management consultancy and supporting companies and stakeholders through large-scale transformations.



[Sophie Armour](#), our **Communications Manager**, is based in the UK and has extensive communications experience from the UK parliament, politics, academia, and the NGO sector. She most recently led on media relations at Sheffield University's Institute for Sustainable Food.



[Alice Ravenscroft](#) is our **Head of Policy** and leads GFI Europe's growing policy team working at national and EU levels. Her background is in government policy, where she worked on areas such as the UK's climate targets.



[Emily Johnson](#), our **Philanthropy Manager**, is based in the UK. She works with donors based in Europe or interested in accelerating GFI's work in Europe. Previously, she worked in development at the University of Cambridge.



[Alex Mayers](#), our **Head of Operations**, comes from a background in animal welfare, project management and organisational development. Based in the UK, he runs our European operations including finance, HR, recruitment and compliance.



[Catherine Derieux](#) is our **Talent Acquisition and Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Specialist**. Based in France, she has extensive operational experience working with charities in France and Sweden, and coordinates hiring processes for our growing team.

Application process

We are looking for amazing people who believe in our mission and who have the skills and drive to achieve incredible things. This is how we find them:

1. Applicants upload their CV and short sample work questions via the [application form here](#). Please download and complete the sample work tasks document [here](#) (deadline: 20 Feb).
2. Longlisted candidates are invited to complete a short timed assignment (due early March).
3. Shortlisted candidates are invited to complete a written assignment (due mid March).
4. Candidates are invited to a first interview with the team by video call (late March).
5. Second and final interviews (early April).

Dates and times of assignments and video calls can be arranged to fit around your commitments. The dates of the interviews are still to be confirmed.

[The job description with full details of the role is here](#). We can't wait to hear from you!



Join us!

Many thanks for your interest! If you'd like to find out more, please reach out to us at: europe-hiring@gfi.org

Thank you on behalf of the GFI Europe team!



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