

Job Description: Sustainability Project Coordinator (Region A)

The incumbent will assist in the execution of the strategic direction, business structure, management and control of Plastics | SA, thereby achieving the vision of creating a vibrant and sustainable plastics industry that:

- ◆ Is valued and respected by local and international industry, customers, suppliers, government, community and employees;
- ◆ Promotes the use of plastics as the material of choice;
- ◆ Develops the skills needed through accredited training programmes;
- ◆ **Supports environmentally responsible actions that benefit the industry and society.**

Purpose statement:

To enable a sustainable South Africa Plastics Industry for people, profit and planet through collaborative and coordinated platforms.

Key deliverables:

1. **Waste Management and Recycling**
Develop joint solutions for the prevention, recycling, re-use and recovery of plastics waste to ease the burden of plastics in landfills and the natural environment.
2. **Influence Human behavior**
Influence positive change in human behavior in order to manage plastics waste through recycling initiatives
3. **Product Stewardship and Extended Producer Responsibility**
Play a pivotal role in the implementation of EPR and product stewardship programmes
4. **Resource Efficiency**
Educate and support the plastics industry in the aspects of sustainable manufacturing viz:
 - Water conservation
 - Energy efficiency
 - Reduction in air pollution

Reporting Structure

The incumbent reports to the Director Sustainability – Plastics | SA.

Minimum Requirements

- ◆ Degree or diploma, preferably in polymer science, waste management or environmental management.
- ◆ Must be a team player who is results-driven with an ability to take initiative in managing projects and activities and ensuring appropriate outcomes.
- ◆ Basic project management skills with a strong problem solving ability.
- ◆ Ability to work independently and effectively under pressure.

- ◆ Sound multi-level communication skills and ability to create and support networks and partnerships.
- ◆ Reasonable working knowledge of sustainable environmental management, educational programs and waste management matters and the application thereof.

Experience

The incumbent should have:

- Minimum of 5 years environmental and sustainability experience
- Plastics industry experience will be an advantage
- Had some exposure to and/or project management experience in the environmental/waste management sector.
- Knowledge of Government Acts and Regulations pertaining to the environment.
- Established networks and partnerships with relevant stakeholders in both industry, government and society.

Responsibilities

Area of responsibility: Region A

Gauteng, Mpumalanga, Limpopo, Free State, Kwa-Zulu Natal, North-West

Financial Responsibilities

- ◆ Provide input for the preparation of the Divisional budget in terms of the agreed Divisional Strategic Action Plan.
- ◆ Manage projects and activities in accordance with the Divisional budget.
- ◆ Compile activity income/expenditure reports for selected projects.
- ◆ Manage relevant operational aspects of agreements with fund providers such as PETCO, SAVA, POLYCO, Polystyrene Association of SA and other stakeholders.
- ◆ Seek out and conclude new funding opportunities for the Division.

Projects

- ◆ Prepare operational action plans for each financial year and region.
- ◆ Identify, initiate and manage new projects.
- ◆ Create, maintain and build networks and partnerships that support Plastics | SA's activities.
- ◆ Promote Plastics | SA's 'Sustainability' drive.
- ◆ Define and manage new projects in terms of the Divisional strategy.
- ◆ Assist with obtaining project funding and support from Industry and other sponsors.
- ◆ Effective verbal and written communication through the projects and activities of the Sustainability Division.
- ◆ Research and knowledge – includes the writing of articles, development of brochures and "translation" of Government documents and plans into action plans for the Sustainability Division.

If you meet the above criteria and would like to apply, please send curriculum vitae and details of current remuneration to douw.steyn@plasticssa.co.za before 10 January 2022.

All candidates on the final shortlist will be submitted to a psychometric assessment.