



The German Federal Institute for Risk Assessment (BfR) is the national institute which prepares expert reports and opinions on questions of food, feed and chemical safety and consumer health protection in Germany on the basis of internationally recognised scientific assessment criteria. It advises the Federal Government and other institutions and interest groups in these areas. The BfR conducts its own research on topics that are closely linked to its assessment tasks. It is an institution with legal capacity within the portfolio of the Federal Ministry of Food and Agriculture (BMEL).

From 01.05.2021 until 31.12.2025 the following position is to be filled in the BfR International Affairs Department

## Project Manager for Development Cooperation with Tunisia (f/m/d)

Reference number: 2728/2021 | up to Pay group 15 TVöD

For German civil servants, employment for the duration of the project is possible by way of secondment up to grade A15.

As a family-friendly institute, we also offer part-time working models for management positions within the scope of the possibilities offered by the service.

Tunisia has adopted a new food law in 2019 which provides for the establishment of effective risk analysis structures. In a five-year project, BfR and the Federal Office of Consumer Protection and Food Safety (BVL) are supporting the Tunisian food safety authorities in improving consumer health protection. As seconded project manager in Tunis, you will be responsible for the implementation and effectiveness of the project. Together with your six-member team, you will organise the project activities in various areas such as policy advice, organisational development and training. You will work closely with experts from the institutions and the project staff working at BfR and BVL. The project is funded by the German Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ).

### In detail, the tasks include

- Strategic, technical and administrative management of the project in close cooperation with the project team and the project partners; coordination with BfR and BVL
- Leadership and development of the Tunisian project team, as well as planning and guidance of short-term experts and consultants
- Representation of the project in Tunisia
- Political, organisational and technical advice to Tunisian partners
- Expansion of political, technical and institutional networks in the field of risk analysis, establishment and maintenance of national and international cooperation which fall within the scope of this project
- Further development of project activities, development and implementation support of the Tunisian reform milestones for risk analysis in cooperation with the project team and project partners
- Responsibility for budget planning and reporting, proper use of budget and funds as well as tendering and controlling of consulting services

- Ensuring the implementation and realisation of quality-assured processes in all project areas
- Ensuring the achievement of objectives, smooth workflows and impact-oriented monitoring and overall reporting

**Requirements:**

**Your profile**

- Completed university studies (masters, diploma or a comparable university degree) in veterinary medicine, agricultural sciences, human medicine, nutrition and food sciences, agricultural sciences or a comparable field, doctoral degree is desirable
- Relevant, long-term professional experience in the field of consumer health protection and food safety, public veterinary affairs, agriculture, value chains, vocational training in the agricultural and food sector, or food security

**This is what we expect from you:**

- Several years of experience abroad and several years of experience in development cooperation, preferably in North Africa
- Experience in the independent management and implementation of development cooperation projects
- Several years of experience in cooperation with national and international institutions, especially in the field of development cooperation
- Experience in organisational development
- Excellent organisational and financial management skills
- Experience and proven competence in leading multidisciplinary and international teams
- Intercultural competence, communication and cooperation skills within the team and with external partners
- Strong strategic, analytical and conceptual skills very good expressive and presentation skills
- Distinct conflict and problem-solving skills
- Conscientious work, flexibility, ability to work under pressure
- Fluent in German, English and French (comparable to level C1 GeB); Arabic is an advantage
- Willingness to travel on official missions in Tunisia and to Germany

**Ideally you have**

- Work experience at a German federal or state authority
- Experience in policy advice

**What we can offer you:**

- Expatriation allowance
- Flexible working hours without core working hours
- 30 days holiday (5-day week)
- Mobile working
- Extensive further training opportunities

**The places of employment are Tunis, Tunisia and Berlin, Germany. After a preparatory period in Germany, they will be permanently assigned to Tunisia.**

**Application process:**

**The application process is multi-stage. The first online interviews are expected to take place on 18.03.2021 or 19.03.2021. Candidates who successfully complete the initial interviews will be invited for a further interview (expected on 31.03.2021).**

Does this position appeal to you?

Then please apply by **28.02.2021** via our online system:

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**If you are interested in the position, we invite you to contact us with your questions about the area of responsibility:**

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