



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 independent 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).

In the department Exposure of the BfR is in the unit “Exposure to Chemicals and Transport of Dangerous Goods” from immediately permanent to fill the following position:

Head of the “Exposure to Chemicals and Transport of Dangerous Goods” unit (m/f/d)

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As a family-friendly institute, we also offer part-time working models for management positions among our work options.

State official status will be granted if the requirements under civil service law are met and the qualification profile is completely fulfilled. The post can alternatively be filled by a salaried employee (TVöD). Remuneration will be paid in line with the tasks undertaken and the applicant's qualifications.

Tasks:

The BfR scientifically assesses the risks to consumers from exposure to chemical substances and mixtures. In addition to its responsibility for issues relating to the transport of dangerous goods, the central task of the unit is the scientific assessment of exposure within the framework of the REACH Regulation. Research and development projects on methodological standardisation, data collection and further development of models to improve assessments are initiated and carried out. The unit advises the Federal Government and represents BfR in national, European and international bodies. The unit cooperates closely with other BfR work areas, in particular with the “Product Information”, “National Poisoning Register” and “Toxicovigilance” in the Department Exposure.

In detail, the tasks include the following activities:

- Management of the unit as well as interdisciplinary cooperation
- Technical responsibility for the field of consumer uses and consumer exposure in REACH procedures and representation of this field in internal and external processes
- Scientific further development of the assessment procedures for consumer exposure to chemicals

- Development of new data bases for substance prioritisation and derivation of regulatory measures in accordance with the REACH Regulation (e.g. measurements on the occurrence of substances in consumer products, survey of consumer behaviour)
- Initiation, planning, acquisition and management of research projects
- Expert advice on the further development of the legal basis with reference to consumer exposure at national, European and international level

Requirements:

- Degree in natural sciences University degree (master's degree, diploma or comparable university degree) in toxicology, chemistry, biology, physics, pharmacy or a comparable field including human and veterinary medicine, doctorate required, habilitation would be an advantage
- Exposure science expertise, knowledge in the field of regulatory exposure assessment (preferably REACH) as well as knowledge in data bases and modelling approaches in regulatory exposure assessment required
- Experience in European or international cooperation required
- Experience in committee work, negotiation and policy advice desirable
- Additional qualification in toxicology (postgraduate training in a toxicological field, e.g. as a specialist toxicologist DGPT) desirable
- Experience in leading scientific, interdisciplinary teams required
- Strong sense of responsibility as well as a high degree of willingness to learn, communication skills and conflict resolution
- Understanding of family-conscious leadership behaviour, as well as of the connections between leadership behaviour, motivation and willingness to perform
- Willingness to develop leadership skills
- Very good negotiation skills in English and German required (at least level B2)
- Good IT skills and a conscientious way of working, flexibility, the ability to work in a team and resilience as well as the willingness to travel on business for several days are required

What we can offer you:

- Flexible working hours without fixed working hours
- 30 days' annual leave (5-day week) plus 24 and 31 December as non-working days
- Additional days-off options via time credits
- Mobile working options
- Very good connection to the public transport network
- Extensive training opportunities
- Job ticket
- VBL company pension
- Capital accumulation benefits
- Employee welfare (AWO) family service

The place of employment is Berlin.

Application process:

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You will find more information on our homepage: www.bfr.bund.de/de/stellenanzeigen

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