



European XFEL is an international non-profit company located in the Hamburg area in Germany. It operates a 3.4 km-long X-ray laser, which produces X-rays of unique quality for studies in physics, chemistry, the life sciences, materials research and other disciplines. The diverse scientific facilities at European XFEL enable scientists from across the globe to carry out a wide range of experimental techniques.

For our Communication group we are looking for

a

Scientific Writer / Communication Officer (f/m/d)

The Position

- Writing press releases and news, texts for website, posters, brochures and other publications in English and German
- Establishing and maintaining media contacts
- Monitoring and analysing media coverage
- Developing communication strategies in coordination with the Group Leader
- Organizing media events and interviews
- Editing articles, brochures, posters, webpages and other publications
- Coordinating the production of publications, e.g. Annual Report
- Developing, managing and updating content on the European XFEL website
- Working with the Social Media Manager to provide content, and stepping in for the Social Media manager during periods his/her absence
- Coordinating publication of news with partner PR departments and agencies
- Engaging in and supporting other activities of the Communication and Education group

Requirements

- University degree (communications, journalism or natural sciences)
- Relevant experience in science PR or science journalism
- Established network in science communication or science journalism
- Native speaker level of English or German; native German speakers will need a very good knowledge of English (close to native speaker level), English native speakers are expected to acquire a good working level of German within a short period of time
- Very good writing and editing skills (**please include three relevant samples or links to texts you have written**)
- Ability to translate complex scientific topics to content accessible to non-experts
- Ability to work independently on different projects simultaneously and on tight deadlines
- social media and digital expertise
- Organisational skills and a proactive approach
- Strong working knowledge of Microsoft Office applications

For additional information, please contact Bernd Ebeling (bernd.ebeling@xfel.eu).

Working place will be Schenefeld in the Hamburg metropolitan area. General information on working in Germany, the Hamburg area and the European XFEL can be found [here](#).

Our offer

Become part of a vibrant international and multi-cultural team of scientists, engineers, technical and administrative staff. Be involved in cutting edge scientific and technical progress and participate in our international networks. Experience our atmosphere of tolerance and respect.

- Salary and benefits are similar to those of public service organizations in Germany, this includes for example: family friendly working environment (e.g. additional childcare days)
- flexible working times and option for work from home depending on tasks
- 30 days of vacation, 24th and 31st of December are free as a courtesy of the employer
- extensive relocation benefits
- generous company pension scheme (6,45% of monthly salary)
- monthly social events and subsidized company restaurant
- partially financed job-tickets for public transportation
- extensive training opportunities incl. subsidized English and German language classes
- Easy and free access to a mental health platform to support your wellbeing

Our company language is English.

Reference number: A-255

Duration: This appointment is permanent.

Application

Please provide your CV and a motivation letter in English as well as any reference letters.

The European XFEL GmbH is an equal opportunity and affirmative action employer and we promote and support diverse and heterogenous teams. Applicants with disabilities will be given preference over other equally qualified applicants.

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Deadline: 22 June 2025

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