

**Position**: Senior EU Public Affairs Advisor (Consultant role) **Location**: Remote (based in Brussels with permission to work)

Contract: Full time

**Start date**: As soon as possible

**Apply by:** 30 May 2025

Interviews: On a rolling basis

**How to apply**: Please follow instructions <u>here</u>

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#### About us

Valìa is a Brussels-based boutique consultancy supporting bold organisations working to advance progressive EU policy on development, climate, health, education, and digital rights. We deliver tailored advocacy strategies, policy analysis, and stakeholder engagement to drive real-world change. Our clients include the Gates Foundation, Global Citizen, Gavi, the Vaccine Alliance, and other influential global actors. Learn more at <a href="https://valia.be">https://valia.be</a>.

#### Role

We're looking for a senior public affairs professional with deep knowledge of EU politics and policy — particularly around the EU budget and development cooperation — to help lead high-level advocacy projects and shape strategy with our clients. This is a role for someone who thrives in a nimble, mission-driven environment, enjoys working directly with clients, and wants to make tangible policy impact.

You'll take the lead on a flagship advocacy initiative to mobilise high-level voices in support of EU development aid, while contributing to broader work on climate, health, education and digital issues.

### Who Thrives at Valìa

We're a small, agile consultancy driven by purpose and impact. We work directly with ambitious global actors to deliver smart, strategic advocacy that drives EU policy change.

This is a place for people who value autonomy, care about the details, and want their work to mean something. If you thrive in independent settings, enjoy moving fast on meaningful projects, and don't need an office full of people to do your best work—Valìa might be your next home.

## Responsibilities

- Lead policy research and political analysis on EU institutions, budget processes, and external action;
- Develop clear, persuasive briefings, memos, and materials for clients and external audiences;

- Design and implement advocacy strategies, with a focus on high-level stakeholder engagement;
- Manage relationships with clients and strategic partners;
- Support coalition-building and joint action on the EU's external budget (MFF);
- Track political developments and help clients seize timely advocacy moments;
- Contribute to strategic thinking across the team, including on business development.

# **Skills and Experience**

- 8–12 years of relevant experience in EU affairs, public affairs consulting, international development, or philanthropy;
- Deep understanding of EU institutions, external relations and development, and the MFF;
- Experience in global health and/or climate issues is a strong asset;
- Excellent writer and communicator, able to influence high-level stakeholders;
- Entrepreneurial and proactive, with a hands-on mindset;
- Comfortable managing your own time and projects in a small, remote team;
- Fluent in English; other EU languages a plus.