



## UEPAL STAFF VACANCY: CEC-CCR

***This vacancy is open to UEPAL pastors and pastors coming from other Church signatories of the Leuenberg Agreement.***

It is a full-time position composed of 2 roles: primarily with CEC (Conference of European Churches) covering 60% and secondly regional integration with CCR (Conference of Churches on the Rhine), a regional group of CPCE (Communion of Protestant Churches in Europe) involving 40%.

### **Duties and responsibilities**

- **Position with CEC: Executive Secretary of CEC, located in Strasbourg (60% - N+1: CEC General Secretary)**
  - To take responsibility for the CEC office in Strasbourg
  - To represent the voice of the churches and the CEC vis-à-vis the Council of Europe and the other European Institutions in Strasbourg.
    - To ensure a permanent link between CEC and the Council of Europe, its senior officials, intergovernmental and parliamentary committees, as well as their teams, and participate in the INGO Conference.
    - To work in close cooperation with the CEC Executive Secretary for Human Rights, sharing information concerning the developments of human rights' issues at the European Institutions in Strasbourg.
  - To inform Member Churches about developments in the Institutions.
  - To work closely with other CEC staff in developing dialogue between CEC Member Churches and the European Institutions in the areas of social ethics and European cooperation and integration, as well as the Christian mission and service in European societies.
  - To coordinate the work of the Thematic Reference Groups on Bioethics and Education for Democratic Citizenship within the team and in liaison with the General Secretariat.
  - To facilitate the dialogue with non-member churches, partners in the global ecumenical movement, and other relevant partners.
  - To work in close cooperation with the Communication Coordinator to strengthen the mutual understanding of Member Churches.
- **Regional integration CCR: Thematic Secretary with the General Secretary and European liaison officer for the UEPAL parishes (40% - N+1: CCR General Secretary)**
  - To present dossiers of the CCR, for which he/she is responsible, in order to increase CCR's contribution to the work of CPCE.
  - To propose interventions in parishes of UEPAL and member Churches of CCR :
    - To lead the debate on the Churches' issues at the European level.
    - To make members of these Churches aware of the European dimension.

### **Candidate profile**

- Theologian and pastor.
- Have substantial experience in international ecumenical dialogue and sound knowledge of ecumenical theology. Previous experience in another ecumenical organisation or publications in the fields of ecumenical dialogue would be an asset.

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- Capacity to understand CEC member Churches' issues and to communicate with the Churches.
- Capability to relate actively to governmental and intergovernmental institutions and non-governmental organisations.
- Positive and constructive attitude in an evolving environment.
- Ability to work on own initiative.
- Aptitude to take responsibility for a team.
- Skill to work as part of a team, including willingness to "pitch in" as required in a small organisation.
- Willingness to work outside normal office hours and to be on call as required, readiness to travel.
- Fluency in English, French and German, other languages are considered an asset
- Interest in Bioethics and Education: publications in the Christian approach to Bioethics or Education is an asset.

### **Working conditions**

- Salary of a UEPAL pastor (public status position), as well as housing (or housing allowance).  
*The position is under the authority of the UEPAL, within the framework of its general regulations. For further information on the conditions for the exercise of the pastoral ministry in UEPAL, please contact the Director of Human Resources of UEPAL.*
- An international working environment located in Strasbourg.
- An opportunity to work with ecumenical and international issues in a qualified team.

### **Electronic applications**

- Motivation letter in English should be addressed to the President of UEPAL, Mr. Christian ALBECKER
- CV should be submitted in English
- At least 2 letters of reference in English, French or German

*The complete application file should be sent to the Human Resources Director of UEPAL, Pastor Alain SPIELEWOY :*

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*A special interview for the CEC part of the position will be held in Brussels with the CEC General Secretary, Very Rev Protopresbyter Heikki Theodoros Huttunen:*

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