

Titel:

HEAD OF PACKAGING (M/F/D)

Region:

SouthWest Germany

Reports to:

Director R&D

Company:

Our customer has been combining tradition and progress for 90 years. As part of a globally active group, more than 800 employees work in the company's adhesives division. The company is headquartered in Holland and is present in over 125 countries with a number of subsidiaries and a network of sales partners. The customer, located in SouthWest Germany, offers an agile, modern and international working environment with very good development opportunities, as well as good working and contractual conditions of the chemical industry and above-average vacation days. In addition, mobile working as well as a good work-life balance and very good concepts for employee health and well-being are important components of the benefits.

The Head of Packaging is accountable for the innovative development of primary packaging in terms of application, function, design, sustainability, environmental compatibility, material selection and compliance with technical, economic and legal requirements.

Main responsibilities:

- Bring up innovative new packaging and material solutions to meet consumer needs
- Initiate and steer technical packaging development projects
- Built up and lead packaging know-how on BA level with technical, economical, legal and environmental (ecological) scope starting with plastic packaging technology
- Analyze existing packaging types and materials from a consumer perspective and identify opportunities to optimize their functionality, recyclability, efficiency and cost
- Verify and qualify new / alternative packaging materials- and-systems according to internal processing capabilities also in co-operation with external partners.
- Monitor competition activities and derive measures in cross- functional alignment to maintain the competitive advantage

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- Screen the legislative landscape and sustainability trends on a regular base to capture and assess their impact or potential on existing portfolio and new developments
- Lead packaging development process to be integrated into the NPD process
- Provide technical expertise, support and troubleshooting for existing packaging portfolio
- Attend to packaging fairs, conferences and webinars to maintain know-how and network
- Ensure close co-operation internally with engineering, operations, sourcing, marketing and externally with packaging manufacturers and institutes

Job Requirements:

- University degree in mechanical, packaging, or polymer engineering; packaging techniques & technologies; material science, chemistry or similar
- Several years of professional experience in packaging development preferable in FMCG related industries
- Profound competences especially in design, specification and use of new, renewable and recycled materials in packaging, in particular in key plastic technologies extrusion, stretch blow moulding, injection moulding as well as thermoforming
- Good knowledge of packaging materials like aluminium, plastics, paper and cardboard but also about processing technologies as well as of regulatory environment and also quality standards
- Know-how and experience on life cycle analysis including recyclability of primary packaging
- Project management skills and proven track record in managing multiple projects
- Ability to interface with many levels of management
- Result oriented person with strong analytical and problem solving skills
- Fluent in English; additional German and Dutch language is a plus

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