General Secretary, European Golf Association

The European Golf Association (EGA) is recruiting a new General Secretary, following the resignation of the present incumbent.

Formed in 1937, the Association is presently composed of 47 member countries and is governed by: the Annual General Meeting and Executive Committee (10 members). In addition, it has the following committees: Championship Committee (13 members); EGA Handicapping & Course Rating Committee (8 members); and Environmental Sustainability Working Group.

The EGA is responsible for:

- Arranging and co-ordinating both amateur championships and international matches (Championship Committee);
- Reviewing European aspects of Rules, Amateur Status and Handicapping in R&A and EGA Committees;
- Information and communication amongst member federations; The R&A and the International Golf Federation; between the Executive Committee, the Championship Committee and EGA Committees; and press and media;
- Education, through means such as golf conferences, seminars, meetings between member countries;
- Golf Course Management in collaboration with the R&A;
- Course Rating and Handicapping: Set-up and management of the EGA Handicap System.

The Role:

Reporting to the EGA President, the General Secretary will lead direct reports and volunteers in the delivery of the EGA Title Championships and Matches and all of the administrative and communications tasks related to this goal.

Supervise the Championship Manager in activities such as: ensuring CC meetings are properly planned for agendas and minutes communicated in a timely manner; allocation of staff to key championships annually; allocation of CC members at Championships and Matches; maintain an annual calendar.

Management and maintenance of all communications systems for internal and external stakeholders, as well as producing a quarterly newsletter and ensuring social media is current.

Day to day management of finances, producing annual budgets and monitoring income and expenses. Ensuring the EGA meets all legal and regulatory requirements according to the local laws at all times.

The Individual

Golfing skills and knowledge

- Is or has been a good golfer;
- Has captained golf teams;
- Has a good knowledge and experience of golf tournament administration and course set up;
- Understands golf inside out.



Financial skills and knowledge

Strong P&L and balance sheet management;

People skills

Can build rapport with the EGA's diverse groups of stakeholders, partners, governing bodies and sponsors.

Other

- Ability to travel frequently with overnight stops and to routinely be away in the playing season for up to 10 days at a time;
- Fluent in written and spoken English;

How to apply:

The Executive Committee has engaged the services of the most highly respected Executive Search firm, Odgers Berndtson. They have the leading Sports Practice who operate within our sector. Their experience in assisting with the placement of Chief Executives in International Federations, National Governing Bodies and Pan-European Associations is second to none. They also have a deep knowledge of Golf having been the search firm of choice for the R&A, PGA European Tour and several top organisations such as; St Andrew's Golf Links, Sunningdale & Royal St. George's. Their Pan-European network of 27 offices will ensure a comprehensive coverage of our membership.

The preferred method of application is online at:

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All applications will receive an automated response and copy of the full candidate brief.

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