

EuroSkills is the official European Championship for young skilled professionals under the age of 25 in crafts, industry, and services, bringing together up to 700 young talents from at least 30 nations to compete at the highest level in 45 trades.

EuroSkills 2029 will take place in Geneva, Switzerland from September 26th to 30th. This landmark event will welcome more than 100'000 visitors at Palexpo, engage international partners, and showcase the excellence and future of vocational training.

We are seeking for an experienced and visionary **Chief Executive Officer (CEO)** to lead the organization, develop the team and ensure the delivery of the event under the supervision of the organizing committee.

Location : Palexpo, Geneva, Switzerland

Contract duration : January 2026 – December 2029

Key Responsibilities

- ⇒ Provide overall strategic leadership and operational management of EuroSkills 2029
- ⇒ Lead and inspire a dedicated team of 15+ professionals, ensuring effective coordination with volunteers, partners, and multiple stakeholders
- ⇒ Develop and manage a multimillion budget, fundraising, and sponsorship activities
- ⇒ Represent EuroSkills 2029 nationally and internationally, fostering relationships with institutions, sponsors, and European partners
- ⇒ Ensure successful planning and execution of the event, meeting the highest standards of quality, impact, and sustainability
- ⇒ Take care of political work at multiple levels
- ⇒ Promote the visibility and branding of vocational training in the french part of Switzerland, in Switzerland and Europe

Candidate Profile

- ⇒ Proven leadership experience in managing large-scale complexe international events, organizations, or projects
- ⇒ Strong strategic, financial, and operational management skills
- ⇒ High commitment to education, skills development, young people, economy and international cooperation
- ⇒ Excellent communication and stakeholder management abilities
- ⇒ Fluent in French (mandatory); excellent knowledge of English; knowledge of German is a strong asset
- ⇒ Strong interpersonal skills, diplomacy, courage, persistence and the ability to work in a multicultural environment and at different levels

We offer a unique leadership opportunity to shape and deliver one of Europe's most prestigious skills events. The chance to make a lasting impact on vocational education and training in the french part of Switzerland, in Switzerland and beyond. A complete imersion in Palexpo with professional employees and dynamical environment. A stimulating local and international challenge with a highly visible role at the crossroads of education, economy, and society.

Application deadline : October 15th

Applications with CV, cover letter, and certificates can be sent to EuroSkills 2029, attn. Chairwoman Sophie Dubuis at euroskills2029@palexpo.ch