

## The Global Alliance for Improved Nutrition

<b>Job title:</b>	Project Manager, Better Dairy for All
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<b>Classification:</b>	D4 – Project Manager	<b>Direct reports:</b>	1 - 5
<b>Work location</b>	Addis Ababa, Ethiopia	<b>Travel required:</b>	Up to 70% within Ethiopia

The Global Alliance for Improved Nutrition (GAIN) is a Swiss-based foundation launched at the UN in 2002 to tackle the human suffering caused by malnutrition. Working with both governments and businesses, we aim to transform food systems so that they deliver more nutritious food for all people. In particular, we aim to make healthier food choices more desirable, more available, and more affordable. GAIN's mission is to advance nutrition outcomes by improving consumption of nutritious and safe food for all people, especially the most vulnerable to malnutrition.

DESCRIPTION
<p><b>Overall purpose</b></p> <p>GAIN fights malnutrition in Ethiopia through innovative and sustainable models that increase access to affordable nutritious foods among communities vulnerable to malnutrition.</p> <p>The Better Dairy for All project is designed to develop solutions that increase access (including through supports on innovative dairy processing) and demand to affordable dairy products for children &lt;7years, pregnant and lactating women, school children, and low wage industrial or large-scale farm workers. This is achieved through the improvement of access to affordable and safe dairy products by building on existing dairy value chain in Amhara and other regions of Ethiopia.</p> <p>The Project Manager is responsible for the effective implementation of the project and will lead the project team in generating demand for dairy products to be consumed by the target groups, developing affordable, safe, and nutritious prototypes of dairy or dairy-based products, developing a viable business model as well as a marketing and demand creation strategy. The project will provide technical support to milk/dairy processors and distributors to make safe and affordable milk/dairy products available and developing and implementing a viable school dairy feeding strategy. In addition, the Project Manager will ensure the project's achievements are monitored, tracked, and documented in a timely manner.</p> <p>The Project Manager will also lead efforts to strengthen the enabling environment for value addition towards dairy accessing and consumption in Ethiopia.</p>

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### Tasks and responsibilities

#### Project Management

- Accountable for the overall effective management of the project activities with emphasis on access and demand.
- Plan, implement, monitor and track the project outputs.
- Identify and assess project risks. Report on them and develop strategies to address any risks.
- Work with the Senior Program Manager, Knowledge and Leadership Team, Global Programme Support Staff and other internal stakeholders to successfully implement all components of the project
- Supervise reporting staff and consultants.
- Submit reports and other technical documents that align to GAIN, donor and Government requirements.
- Represent GAIN in various platforms and partners'/government's meetings

#### Policy and Advocacy

- Collaborate with country and global teams to facilitate stakeholder alignment and develop key partnerships between public / Government and private sectors
- Engage with key Government departments, including the standard and regulatory body, to revise, develop, and harmonize policies, directives, standards, regulations, and guidelines appropriate to the project
- Collaborate with partners to identify influencing agendas, engaging with key opinion leaders, professionals, and policy makers on optimal feeding through improving dairy access, demand and mitigating other consumption issues.

#### Project implementation

- Collaborate with other, relevant GAIN departments for contracts, purchase orders and project financial accounts
- Support the project team including GAIN staff and external service providers and suppliers
- Provide the required technical supports to selected dairy processors and distributors to make safe and quality dairy products accessible to target community
- Ensure that activities and outputs are achieved in line with the agreed project deliverables
- Track lessons learned, ensuring they are documented and shared within GAIN country and global teams to ensure continued learning

### Key organisational relationships

- Reports to Senior Program Manager
- Project staff
- GAIN Ethiopia Head of Operations, Finance, Administration, Sr. Program Assistant.
- Global program support teams, including KL, finance and HR
- Interaction with key project partners (both private and service providers) and external stakeholders

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JOB REQUIREMENTS
<p><b>Competencies</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Proven project management skills</li> <li>• Strong communication and negotiation skills</li> <li>• Able to prioritize, multi-task, and work well under pressure with frequent deadlines.</li> <li>• Strong facilitation skills</li> <li>• Analytical, with the ability to effectively liaise with government offices and private business sectors.</li> <li>• Proactive with a commitment to quality and accuracy with close attention to detail.</li> <li>• Basic computer literacy with Excel, MS Word, Power Point skills and other software.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Experience</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Solid experience in similar roles with aligning responsibilities</li> <li>• Good understanding of food systems and dairy value chain</li> <li>• Experience on nutritious food demand creation</li> <li>• Experience in project management</li> <li>• Demonstrated success in working with various partners and service providers in time-bound projects</li> <li>• Understanding and experience with international development, particularly food systems, dairy value chain, nutrition and other similar topics.</li> <li>• Understanding of the role of business in contributing to Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)</li> <li>• Experience working on food processing, food quality and food safety area</li> <li>• Experience with writing comprehensive reports and development of tools to be used for scaling of projects</li> </ul>
<p><b>Education</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A Master's Degree in Dairy/nutrition/Food Science/Food Technology/ a suitable equivalent is required</li> </ul>
<p><b>Other requirements</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A degree/diploma on development study/project management is advantageous</li> <li>• Fluent written and verbal English is required</li> <li>• A good command of Amharic</li> <li>• A willingness and ability to travel</li> </ul>