Operations manager
Full-time permanent position in France or Spain

Context
Sakata Vegetables Europe is a subsidiary of Sakata Seed Corporation (Japan) and is responsible for the development and expansion of the activities across the EMEA area. With our wide array of vegetable seeds, we want to create a confidence-based relationship with our customers, working to our age old motto of Quality, Reliability and Service. Under the R&D Director supervision you manage the operations (Research stations, trials spots, etc) on a number of EMEA sites in order to deliver results for cropping & various testing activities to members of the R&D team and other company departments.

Missions
• Management of a team of station/farm Managers at EMEA R&D level
• Coordination of all EMEA R&D sites activities (trials, breeding activities, lab agronomic activities, seed production) network including collaborations (inside and outside Sakata) from general requirements from Breeders, laboratories and other customers (Sakata other EMEA Dept and/or regions, external customers)
• Identification of specific site objectives, proposal of allocation of activities and resources for implementation
• Identification and development of new sites for trials or other breeding activity implementation
• Preparation and follow up of the crop plan data base through crop monitoring system with site managers
• Development and maintenance of the stations infrastructure and equipment with site managers.
• Preparation and follow up of budgets accordingly with site managers
• Reinforcement, Communication and coordination of the Quality policy as well as Plant Health Safety & Environmental practices and procedures at all sites.
• Making link for sites with functional support groups like HR, Finance, HSE

Profile
• Masters’ degree, in the area of Agronomy, Plant Sciences or Breeding;
• at least 5 years of demonstrated people and project management
• people oriented - leadership skills
• broad knowledge of crop production and farming practices
• good organizer with international orientation
• open personality, good communication skills
• positive thinking and attitude.
• Fluent in English. French, Spanish would be a plus

Application
This position is available from September 2016 and based either in South of France (in Uchaud, between Nimes and Montpellier) or Spain (Murcia or Almeria). If this matches your project, send us your application (Resume and Cover letter) before 2016, June the 30th, by email at the following address: sve.recruitment@sakata.eu . Thank you for your interest.