ROLE DESCRIPTION:

COMMUNICATION SPECIALIST & PRESS OFFICER

WHAT YOU DO

WHO YOU ARE

HOW YOU DO IT

You contribute to added customer value, a strong brand and increased sales by ensuring high quality Media Relations and PR & Communications activities.

You work towards aligned and crossfunctional goals, driving omni sales performance and customer centricity in all parts of your work

You plan, execute, and follow up Sales Market PR and communications activities in accordance with H&M Brand guidelines and policies. You act as a Sales Market spokesperson working with reactive and proactive media relations. You are responsible of adapting internal communication to the Sales Market's need.

You have strong commercial focus and are insight and data driven, with proven ability to drive results and work towards goals

You have a proven track record of creating results as a communication specialist with great knowledge in Media Relations. With your insight driven mind set you find innovative ways to engage our customers and stakeholders.

You are business driven, customer focused, commercial, communicative and an excellent relationship builder.

By acting in line with our values, having the right mindset and leadership [if applicable] you contribute to H&M's business success.

You act as an ambassador for the customer centric shift, have a growth mindset and encourage cross-functional collaboration

You promote a positive and open environment where opinions, views and ideas are shared, proactively bring innovative ideas and explore growth opportunities.

No matter what your role may be at H&M – WHAT you do is as important as HOW you do it.

WHAT YOU DO

Your responsibilities

Add/remove/change main areas of responsibilities and explain major tasks in a couple of bullet points

Media relations and PR & Communications activities

You monitor and respond to local media enquiries together with the Communications & PR Manager and other press officers. Building, developing and maintaining relationships with relevant media and contacts.

- Build trust & develop H&M's local general media picture together with the Communications & PR Manager and proactively pitch news from H&M in selected focus areas.
- You manage local reactive media relations (press telephone and mail) together with the Communications & PR Manager, and the local media relations team, and secure that the global communications and media policies are being followed locally.
- Part of the local "after hours" press group, you handle incoming press enquiries and supporting customer service with messages during evenings and weekends.
- You act as local spokesperson in selected topics together with the Communications & PR Manager.
- Responsible for communicating H&M messages externally and internally in communications issues, together with HO and the Communications & PR Manager.
- Responsible of adapting and quality proofing press releases, including creating local press releases when relevant
- Collaborate with local customer service team in local communications on social media.
- Crisis Management in collaboration with PR & Communications Manager

PR & COMMUNICATIONS ACTIVITIES

 You support Sales Market Communications activities within areas such as expansion, innovation, sustainability & employer branding.

Internal communications Execute and follows up on regional & global Communications plan to effectively spread H&M's messages to our own employees. Complements planning when relevant from a Sales market perspective.	 Manage the local edition of H&Ms' internal communication channels, including publish global and regional content, create local news and distribute H&M news Responsible for securing the quality and tone of voice in all translations of global material used in the internal communication channels Plan, execute and follow up on local internal communications activities in collaboration with other local departments such as e.g. HR Supports with internal communications guidance in Sales Market specific topics
Networking & relationship building You build a network of H&M ambassadors through maintaining and building strong local relationships with media, influencers, celebrities & opinion leaders	 Act as a brand ambassador for H&M Identify, monitor, interact and develop a network with current and up-coming journalists and opinion leaders in your market and work proactively (including attending relevant events)
Follow up	 Responsible for local earned media monitoring and analysis Follow up and report on KPIs and objectives connected to project responsibility, showing the connection to added customer value and the business when possible

WHO YOU ARE

Your knowledge

Knowledge = education, skills, experience

Education Meriting with a University degree in communications, marketing or similar	A formal education within Communication, Marketing (or similar) is meriting – if not at least 5 years' experience from similar positions and/or within PR/Communications
Skills Strategic mindset and planning skills, communication skills, relationship building	 You have a strategic mindset and strong planning and prioritizing skills You have excellent communication skills, including fluent written and spoken local language and English. Knowledge in other languages is meriting. You are an excellent relationship builder. Fluent in Microsoft Office – Word, Powerpoint and Excel
Experience You have proven experience in media relations, PR and internal and crisis communication	 Experience in media relations. Meriting if within the Sales Market countries. Strategic experience in Corporate & Fashion PR, Internal & Crisis Comm Proven track results in building &/or protecting the brand through PR & media relations Experience in high level media analysis Meriting with competence within digital/tech and/or omni ways of working

HOW YOU DO IT

Your behaviours: living the values, growth mindset, leadership (if applicable)

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Our Values The spirit that defines our culture and reflects the heart and soul of H&M	Values in action Our values described as behaviours – shared by all H&M colleagues regardless of role			
 We are one team We believe in people Entrepreneurial spirit Constant improvement Cost conscious Straight forward and open minded Keep it simple 	TEAM PLAYER Being open minded Communicating clearly Enjoying teamwork Being flexible	RESULT DRIVEN Working towards goals Trying new things Improving efficiency Developing yourself	 Focusing on customer value Taking responsible decisions Seeking opportunities Seeing the bigger picture 	
Growth mindset (also called the agile mindset)	 Positive attitude to change / embrace challenges / persevere in the face of failure Desire to learn / putting effort to build new skills / learn from mistakes / ask for feedback and learn from it Find inspiration in success of others 			
Leadership (if applicable)	n/a			