Yusen Logistics is a world-leading total logistics provider, we offer a truly global service, supplying contract logistics, warehousing, transportation & distribution services, freight forwarding and supply chain management in one cost effective package.

The company's European region employs over 4,300 employees and operates 78 facilities with over 700,000 m² of warehousing space throughout Europe, from Spain to Russia.

At its European regional head office, Yusen Logistics offers a great opening for an international logistics professional.

Business Improvement Manager
Location: Hoofddorp, The Netherlands

This role will be the principle owner of Kaizen activities for Europe to lead and support local countries for their Kaizen activities planning and execution, training as well as Kaizen culture promotion. The Business Improvement Manager will engage with all operations sites and customers when needed, to seek continuous improvement opportunities to maintain business financially sound and lead customers with high performance logistics services. Kaizen is one of the most critical characteristics of Yusen Logistics as a quality logistics service provider. It is in our DNA, which enables us to seek continuous improvement and to exceed customer expectations. The Kaizen activities go across all businesses including warehousing, transportation and freight forwarding in the European region.

The role:
• Provide Kaizen support by coaching local countries with Kaizen tools and methodology;
• Manage periodical Kaizen assessments with local countries including KPIs;
• Identify Kaizen opportunities with all the business units;
• Lead EU Kaizen training program to align with the business needs;
• Support local countries training program when needed;
• Manage Yusen Quality Management system including implementation, training and monitoring;
• Promote Kaizen culture across Yusen business in liaison with all stake holders;
• Coordinate European Kaizen communication linking local countries, other regions or GHQ to enhance Kaizen capability;
• Lead Kaizen communication proactively by reporting to the management to promote Kaizen culture further.

Successful applicants
• Have a detailed and practical knowledge of Kaizen, the Toyota way, with a PDCA approach;
• Are experienced in production or logistics operations/process management with Lean process, Continuous improvement, 6 Sigma etc.;
• Have a good understanding of Logistics operational and Supply Chain management related systems;
• Show excellent project management skills with motivational communication and team skills;
• Have the ability to demonstrate analytical and logical thinking with no compromise on quality;
• Have excellent communication and team work skills in a multicultural business environment;
• Have a good level of MS office skills eg Excel, Powerpoint, etc.; and
• Operational and financial data analysis is essential.

Next to an international working environment, Yusen Logistics Europe offers excellent labor conditions. If your education and working experience meet the above profile, we invite you to apply before April 28, 2017 to Yusen Logistics (Europe) BV, E-mail: Annerieke.schmidt@eu.yusen-logistics.com.