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The European Institute of Innovation and Technology (EIT) recently launched the building of the Innovation Community Manufacturing. EIT Manufacturing's mission is to bring European manufacturing actors together in innovation ecosystems that add unique value to European products, processes, services – and inspire the creation of globally competitive and sustainable manufacturing. www.eitmanufacturing.eu

EIT Manufacturing now invites applications for the position of

Innovation Manager – Co-Location Center Central

Full-time position at EIT Manufacturing Central in Darmstadt, Germany

About the position

The Innovation Manager position at EIT Manufacturing Co-Location Center (CLC) Central will be responsible of facilitating and driving regional EIT Manufacturing innovation projects in countries of the CLC perimeter: Belgium, Germany, Ireland, Luxemburg, the Netherlands, Poland and Ukraine. She/he will support the implementation of EIT Manufacturing's innovation strategy on a European level and act as a reference manufacturing expert for selected technologies. The Innovation Manager will also be in charge of monitoring and advising the EIT Manufacturing projects portfolio assigned to her/him.

The position reports directly to the CLC Director and indirectly to the EIT Manufacturing Director of Innovation. It also includes the supervision of a working student.

Key Accountabilities:

- Contribute to the development of EIT Manufacturing and the EIT Manufacturing innovation pillar.
 - Collaborate with Innovation Managers at Headquarters and the other EIT Manufacturing Co-Location Centers in Gothenburg/SE, Vienna/AU, Milan/IT, San Sebastian/ES and Athens/GR.
 - Continuously improve the innovation strategy with other members of the innovation team.
 - Support the development of AGORA, EIT Manufacturing's social media and open innovation platform.
 - Continuously acquire and analyse the knowledge of the target groups of EIT Manufacturing, assess to what extent ongoing projects meet the needs of those target groups
- Be the reference manufacturing expert within the innovation team for one of the following topics: Digitalisation, supply chain or human-centred technologies.
- Monitor a portfolio of EIT Manufacturing innovation projects, supporting their execution and development.
 - Be EIT Manufacturing's contact person for day-to-day interaction with project leaders.
 - Participate in remote or physical meetings of the projects.

- Monitor the progress of the projects by assessing their Key Performance Indicators and collaborate with the project leaders to ensure high impact and promote their results.
- Support for the implementation of mechanisms for the financial sustainability of projects.
- Organise project review meetings, reviewing and assessing project deliverables and progress reports submitted by project leaders.
- Represent the innovation pillar at CLC level.
 - Take an active role in engaging with current and potential EIT Manufacturing members and ensure that innovation needs from external stakeholders are reflected within the EIT Manufacturing innovation strategy.
 - Brokering between EIT Manufacturing members in different CLCs to facilitate the buildup of value added projects.
 - Take an active role in facilitating networking and community development on CLC perimeter and liaising with others CLCs.

Qualifications:

- You hold a Master's Degree or equivalent related to entrepreneurship, commerce, business management AND/OR a Master's Degree or equivalent in Engineering Science. University or professional education related to the manufacturing sector is a clear plus.
- You have a strong track record on project management, tools for managing complex projects including financials, confirmed by relevant experiences in technology sector.
- You are fluent in English and German. Proficiency in additional European languages is a plus, especially in the languages of the CLC perimeter.
- You have a very good command of the Microsoft Office Tool Suite and web collaboration tools.

Skills:

- You have a proven ability for building cross-disciplinary alliances between industry, public sector, research, education, and other stakeholders.
- You have strong analytical capability and critical thinking.
- You are creative, with innovative problem solving skills.
- You are commercially minded with a combination of business acumen and technological skills.
- You have a strong sense of ownership with proven record of delivering results.
- You combine strong communication, representation and negotiation skills.
- You are proactive, independent and trustworthy.

Experience (strong plus):

- You have gained expertise through your professional experience in one of the topics mentioned above: digitalisation, supply chain or human-centric technologies.
- You have developed entrepreneurial thinking and a customer-oriented mindset.
- You have a track record in program/project management and monitoring, especially managing innovation activities.

We offer:

- A full-time, unlimited duration employment contract under German labour law.
- A start-up mindset, fast and flat processes, straight internal communication, low hierarchies, and freedom to operate.

- A friendly atmosphere within a dynamic team at modern and well-located office facilities.

Location

The role location will be at EIT Manufacturing Co-Location Centre Central in Darmstadt (Germany). Frequent travel within Europe can be expected.

Equal opportunities

EIT Manufacturing values diversity and applies policies of equal opportunities. We welcome applications without discrimination, on any grounds. Candidates considering their interests having been prejudiced by a decision in a selection process may request a review of, or launch an appeal against, the decision adversely affecting them.

Selection Committee

A Selection Committee will be appointed to carry out the evaluation of applications submitted. Please note that the Selection Committee's internal proceedings are strictly confidential. Shortlisted candidates may be invited for an interview. Candidates may be asked to provide proof of qualifications, background, skills, and experiences by providing relevant documents.

Protection of personal data

Candidates' personal data are processed as required by Regulation (EU) 2016/679 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 27 April 2016 on the protection of natural persons with regard to the processing of personal data and on the free movement of such data, and repealing Directive 95/46/EC (General Data Protection Regulation). For more information, please check the privacy statement on recruitment available [Privacy Notice](#).

Application

A complete application should consist of

- (i) a full curriculum vitae,
- (ii) a covering letter describing briefly how you meet the criteria outlined and your vision for the role

The application should be sent via e-mail to: hr.innov@eitmanufacturing.eu with subject header "EIT Manufacturing Innovation Manager CLC Central".

The application should be written in **English**.

Only complete applications will be evaluated.

Closing date is **29 September 2023**.

For further information, please contact hr.innov@eitmanufacturing.eu

Please join us on this exciting journey. Send us your application now!