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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](http://www.eitmanufacturing.eu)*

*EIT Manufacturing now invites applications for the position of*

## Education Officer - Strategic Projects

Full time position at EIT Manufacturing South in Milan (Italy)

### About Education

The EIT Manufacturing Education aims at increasing the innovation and entrepreneurial capacity in Europe through attracting, educating, skilling and upskilling individuals: students, workers and professionals. The Education programs and activities contribute to the EIT Manufacturing Strategic Agenda's objectives, key performance indicators and impact.

Education focuses on humans: engage, connect and empower them to become the backbone of a strong European Manufacturing Innovation Community; a prosperous and inclusive society.

Education in EIT Manufacturing is aligned with the objectives, principles and quality requirements of the European Institute for Innovation and Technology Label. The education pillar has developed several programs and assets to support the education of students, upskilling and reskilling of the manufacturing employees/professionals aiming at becoming financially sustainable after the initial investment. They include among others Digital Learning and Teaching Factories' marketplace, Digital Learning Platform "Skills.Move"; EIT Labelled programs for Master, Doctorates, Fellowships, and Non-Degree.

### This position

The role will be located at EIT Manufacturing Impact Center South, in Milan or Bari (Italy) with the possibility of traveling for meetings or events taking place at the partners' and other stakeholders' facilities and locations.

### About the Impact Center South (IC South)

The IC South is an integral part of the KIC's governance and fosters connectivity with local ecosystems through the provision of physical spaces for interaction. It initiates, hosts and implements the various KIC's activities and provides a platform for discussion of innovative ideas. The IC South identifies and builds new possibilities to further substantiate the KIC's long-term sustainability and are actively involved in helping to secure funding for Innovation, Education and Business Creation activities. The IC South also identifies and exploits promising opportunities for cross-IC activities.

### About the position

The Education Officer - Strategic Projects is responsible to develop, implement and execute the education strategies of publicly funded projects. This includes working with different project consortia to set up efficient and comprehensive training activities, with a particular focus on upskilling/reskilling activities in R&D&I projects in manufacturing industry sectors. This will also include to reach the relevant target audiences on national and European levels, to perform skills gap analysis on the target audiences, and to coordinate the design, implementation and validation of the project's training programs, in collaboration with relevant partners. The Education Officer - Strategic Projects might work on different projects at the same time and should develop synergies to streamline the training activities of different projects and EIT Manufacturing South. Therefore, this role will develop a strong understanding of the education and upskilling/reskilling needs in the area of manufacturing across covered projects; collaborate with the Education Team and with the partners to enhance the EIT Manufacturing education offer; create and leverage partnerships to reach the objectives in terms of upskilled/reskilled people. As Education Officer - Strategic Projects in IC South you will collaborate with the local team to actively integrate the Education perspective and contribution with Innovation and Business Creation, within the local ecosystem and innovation community.

### Missions and key Accountabilities:

- Responsible for coordinating and implementing training activities within European/National funded projects; i.e.
  - Understand the needs of the partners and target users in terms of requested talent, skills and training,
  - Package, promote, distribute, and foster the uptake of training (upskilling/reskilling) courses and programs in the European/National funded projects where the IC South is involved, through the management and implementation of the planned activities,
- Contribute to the achievement of EIT Manufacturing education objectives, and targets, such as registered students, students that become entrepreneurs, upskilled talents, and revenues,
- Entice students and project partners to enroll in EIT Labelled programs and integrate them into the EIT Manufacturing community,
- Support the dissemination and promotion of EIT Manufacturing Education funded activities at the local level, building awareness and participation in training programs,
- Support in the development of strategic partnerships, with key Education content providers, distributors and other relevant stakeholders (e.g. starting from those involved in the European/National funded projects),
- Contribute to the implementation of the education strategy of EIT Manufacturing in collaboration with other departments.

### Qualifications:

- Master's Degree (or equivalent) with majors in Project/Programme Management of education or training activities or relevant work experience,
- Good command of IT tools (Office, web collaborative tools, Learning Management Systems),
- Fluent in English and Italian. Proficiency in additional European languages is a plus.

**Experience:**

- Expertise in the field of education and training,
- Knowledge of the manufacturing sector is considered as a plus,
- Experience in design, development, and uptake of (ideally) education programs,
- At least 1 year of relevant working experience in education and training, technology markets and/or innovation management,
- Experience with European Commission funded programs (e.g., Horizon Europe programs) will be considered as a plus,
- Established network of relevant stakeholders from industry and academia in the relevant countries will be considered as a plus.

**Skills:**

- You are passionate and goal oriented,
- You have the capacity to create solid networks and connections,
- You think creatively and strategically,
- You have exceptional project management abilities and a track record of delivering results,
- Your communication abilities are excellent,
- You enjoy working in matrix and multinational organisations,
- You are proactive, independent and trustworthy-

**We offer:**

- a full-time, fixed term employment contract (3 years and possibility to convert into permanent position), or, if preferred, a freelance contract, under the labour law of Italy
- 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,
- interactions with a pan-European organization, committed to have a lasting impact on the manufacturing ecosystem.

**Location**

The main role location will be at EIT Manufacturing IC (Impact Center) South, in Milan (Italy) or in the other IC local office in Bari with the possibility of traveling for meetings or events taking place across Europe.

**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 at EIT Manufacturing with the IC South Managing Director, responsible of Strategic Projects and Education Manager. 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 Cover Letter describing briefly how you meet the criteria outlined and your vision for the role.

The application should be sent via e-mail to: [clcsouth@eitmanufacturing.eu](mailto:clcsouth@eitmanufacturing.eu) with subject header "EIT Manufacturing South – Education Officer - Strategic Projects".

The application should be written in **English**. Only complete applications will be evaluated.

Closing date is **30 April 2024**.

For further information, please contact: [clcsouth@eitmanufacturing.eu](mailto:clcsouth@eitmanufacturing.eu)

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