

Location Manager, TU Delft/BE-Basic Office in Brazil

Engels -- Faculty/department Applied Sciences

Level Master degree

Maximum employment 38 hours per week (1 FTE)

Duration of contract 1 year initially with prospect of extension

Salary scale €3195 to €4374

Applied Sciences

The Faculty of Applied Sciences is the largest faculty of TU Delft, with around 550 scientists, a support staff of 250 and 1,400 students. The faculty conducts fundamental, application-oriented research and offers scientific education at the bachelor, master and doctoral levels. The faculty is active in the fields of Life and Health Science & Technology, Nanoscience, Chemical Engineering, Radiation Science & Technology, and Applied Physics.

The Department of Biotechnology is an international expertise centre for bioprocess engineering that covers the fields of biocatalysis, metabolic engineering and fermentation technology, genomics, environmental and analytical biotechnology, and bioprocess and bioseparation technology. The department co-ordinates two large (inter)national programmes:

- The Kluyver Centre for Genomics of Industrial Fermentation (KC), a National Genomics Initiative (NGI) Centre of Excellence for industrial (white) biotechnology.
- Biobased Ecologically Balanced Sustainable Industrial Chemistry (BE-Basic), an international programme on biobased sustainability for industrial production of chemicals.

The support office of the Department of Biotechnology, which consists of approximately seven persons, supports the department's initiatives.

Job description

BE-Basic (Biobased Ecologically BALanced Sustainable Industrial Chemistry) is an international public-private partnership, coordinated by Delft University of Technology (TUD), comprising universities, research institutions and companies in the field of sustainable chemistry and ecology, supported by the Dutch government.

The mission of BE-Basic is to develop bio-based industrial solutions for a sustainable society (www.be-basic.org). BE-Basic has an extensive international cooperation, including in Brazil.

BE-Basic and TUD aim to set up a joint office in Campinas, Brazil, and are looking for an enthusiastic and motivated Location Manager.

The Location Manager employs activities of TUD and BE-Basic in Brazil in the areas of research and education under direct responsibility of the Leadership Team of BE-Basic. The Location Manager translates the business plan for Brazil into concrete projects and coordinates and oversees the successful implementation of activities of both TUD and

other BE-Basic partners.

He/She will bring focus to the priorities of the business plan and is the first point of contact for employees of TUD and the parties of the BE-Basic network as well as for the Brazilian partners.

Initially, the focus of work is on the establishment of a TUD / BE-Basic office in Campinas.

Requirements

The Location Manager is an energetic, flexible personality with an academic working knowledge, preferably in the field of "Clean Tech", including biotechnology, with relevant research experience at the Assistant Professor level and excellent project management skills. The motivated and enthusiastic candidate can rapidly adapt to local conditions, has excellent spoken and written communication skills and can switch easily between strategy and settling practical arrangements. The Location Manager regularly reports to the Leadership Team (LT) of BE-Basic, in particular to Prof. Luuk van der Wielen and the coordinator for Brazil of BE-Basic, Prof. Patricia Osseweijer. Thorough knowledge of both English and Portuguese is a requirement.

Conditions of employment

TU Delft offers an attractive benefits package, including a flexible work week, free high-speed Internet access from home (with a contract of two years or longer), and the option of assembling a customised compensation and benefits package. Salary and benefits are in accordance with the Collective Labour Agreement for Dutch Universities. Delft University of Technology strives to increase the number of women in higher academic positions; women are therefore especially encouraged to apply.

Information and application

For more information about this position, please contact Prof. Patricia Osseweijer, phone: +31 (0)15-2782388, e-mail: p.osseweijer@tudelft.nl. To apply, please e-mail a detailed CV along with a letter of application by 2 March 2012 to **Prof. Osseweijer**, p.osseweijer@tudelft.nl.

When applying for this position, please refer to vacancy number TNWBT12-010.