

### **VACANCY NOTE**

**Job Title: Communication Officer** 

Job Location: The Central Executive Management Office of BBMRI-ERIC in Graz, Austria

Duration: temporary replacement until the 31<sup>st</sup> of December 2018

**Job Purpose:** The **Communication Officer** is assisting the staff in all communication matters and will be supervised by the Senior Project Manager

# **Short Description of BBMRI-ERIC:**

The pan-European Biobanking and Biomolecular resources Research Infrastructure is a distributed bio-medical and life science infrastructure for sustainable storage and dissemination of biobanked samples and associated data in Europe. On 3<sup>rd</sup> of December 2013, BBMRI was officially awarded the Community legal framework for a European Research Infrastructure Consortium (ERIC). This specific legal form is designed to facilitate the joint establishment and operation of research infrastructures of European interest. BBMRI-ERIC will provide access to the collections of partner biobanks and biomolecular resources, their expertise and services on a non-economic basis.

BBMRI-ERIC is an **inclusive**, **equal-opportunity employer** offering attractive conditions and benefits appropriate to an international research organisation. Further information on the aims, mission, governance, statutes of BBMRI-ERIC can be found at www.bbmri-eric.eu.

# **Key Responsibilities and Accountabilities of the Role**

The Communication Officer is responsible for communication related activities under supervision of the Senior Project Manager. He/she manages and edits such information to facilitate internal and external communication e.g. newsletters, newsflashes, newspaper articles, events, festivities, the intranet and the BBMRI-ERIC website itself. Especially editing the BBMRI-ERIC website and associated public appearance will be the key tasks. Moreover, he/she is responsible for administrative and clerical communication duties such as filing, adapting, reviewing documents, disseminating information, creation of databases and spreadsheets, preparation of presentations.

### Requirements of the Role

The Communication Officer is expected to have experience in administrative and clerical communication duties and a profound knowledge in web editing. Previous experience in and knowledge of private and/or public research organisations are considered an advantage. Interpersonal skills, the ability to liaise with colleagues and stakeholders in a distributed, international, interdisciplinary environment are essential requirements. As English is the common working language of BBMRI-ERIC, applicants must be fluent in English. The jobholder will be asked from time to time to work outside normal working hours and occasionally to undertake national and/or international travel. We are seeking for highly motivated people with high school diploma (secondary school) or equivalent and training in Communication Studies.



## **Employment Terms and Conditions**

The Communication Officer will be directly employed by BBMRI-ERIC in its Central Executive Management Office in Graz, Austria. The employment follows the Austrian employment law. BBMRI-ERIC offers fringe benefits like complementary health insurance, and a private pension scheme, relocation and travel grant as well as local support for housing. It is a part-time position.

### Salary

According to European/international standards for similar role and responsibilities and requirements of this function (17,500.-€ as minimum annual gross salary for a position of 20 hours a week; final salary dependent on terms of qualification and experience).

### **Application Procedure**

For applications to be valid, candidates must submit:

- A Curriculum Vitae [CV] with photo;
- A letter of motivation;
- Supporting documents (for example, certified copies of degrees, references etc.).

In case of any questions, please contact: Michaela Mayrhofer, Senior Project Manager, michaela.th.mayrhofer@bbmri-eric.eu, +43 664 88 72 18 74.

Please send the required documents via e-mail to: Markus Pasterk, Administrative Director, admin.dir@bbmri-eric.eu.

Deadline for application is the 20<sup>th</sup> of January 2017; anticipated start of work 1<sup>st</sup> of March 2017.