VACANCY NOTE

Job Title  ELSI Services Officer

Job Location  Austria

Duration  2 years with the possibility of extension – full-time – 40h/week

Who we are

BBMRI-ERIC is a European research infrastructure for biobanking. We bring together all the main players from the biobanking field – researchers, biobankers, industry, and patients – to boost biomedical research. To that end, we offer quality management services, support with ethical, legal and societal issues, and a number of online tools and software solutions. Ultimately, our goal is to make new treatments possible.

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.

Through our ELSI service, we support the biobanking community by providing services and tools that promote regulatory compliance and best practice, as well as by influencing European policy. Operating the basis of the BBMRI-ERIC federated model, we work in partnership with a network of ethical and legal experts from academia and practice across Europe, coming from our Member and Observer Countries. Our ELSI experts are at the core of any service we provide and any activities we undertake.

Key Responsibilities

We seek an ELSI Services Officer to complement our ELSI (ethical, legal and societal issues) team in order to improve our services for the biobanking community. The expert will dedicate part of his/her time to ELSI Services, especially the ELSI Helpdesk and Knowledge Base. He/she will contribute to working groups and/or task forces to develop practical services and tools or guidance to biobankers and occasionally to the research infrastructures in the biomedical sciences (BMS RIs). Moreover, he/she will contribute to activities and tasks that may be both part of BBMRI-ERIC’s core services as well as selected EU-funded projects (e.g. CY-Biobank).

Requirements

The ELSI Services Officer is expected to have a background in ethical, legal and societal aspects in the context of biomedical research, especially biobanks. Previous experience in collaborative, international research projects, private and/or public research organizations is an advantage. Excellent interpersonal skills and the ability to liaise with colleagues and stakeholders in an
international environment as well as to work in a team are essential. As English is the 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 looking for highly motivated people with at least a Master's degree or higher, in law, social sciences or bioethics.

Terms and Conditions

The ELSI Services Officer will be reporting directly to BBMRI-ERIC’s central executive management office in Graz, Austria. The employment follows the Austrian employment law. A relocation to Graz is negotiable.

Salary

According to European/international standards for similar role, responsibilities and requirements of this function: 65,000.00€ as minimum annual gross salary for a position of 40 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.).

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Please send your application to carmen.cristea@bbmri-eric.eu by the 13th of November 2019 at 3 pm.