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EU-LAC Research Infrastructure Policy Experts' Committee Chair (EULAC_RIPeC)

Vacancy – Terms of Reference

A. Task description

TITLE: EU-LAC Research Infrastructure Policy Experts' Committee Chair

LOCATION: LifeWatch ERIC, ICT-Core offices in Seville, Andalusia (Spain)

POSITION: Full-time

FUNDING RESOURCES: Projects related to EU-LAC agenda (ResInfra CSA, etc); Multiregional Operational Programme Spain – ERDF (European Regional Development Fund) for actions related to LifeWatch ERIC; Horizon Europe Framework Programme

COMPENSATION: Competitive amount, commensurate to degrees and relevant experience

B. Main responsibilities

The EULAC_RIPeC will work under the supervision of EULAC_FNPM, and will also report to the PI of LifeWatch ERIC for the ERDF Projects, CTO and Director of ICT-Core and FEDERTECH Offices, and any other person(s) duly delegated. The work of EULAC_RIPeC will be to carry out of the following tasks:

- S/he will support the implementation, coordination and management of the experts' chapter regarding the European, Latin America and Caribbean international calls for proposals (Horizon Europe, Interreg-Territorial Cooperation Programmes, Digital Europe, NDICI, etc.), by also supporting the EULAC_FNPM in day-to-day related activities;
- S/he will assist the EULAC_FNPM to establish international links and connections between academic and public sectors, private and public institutions, trade and industry and international project broadcasting, and outline the financial and working plan for "green & blue digital innovation" activities.

In order to accomplish the objectives cited in the above bullet points, s/he will support the development of networking activities and the promotion and development of the EU-LAC agenda specially related to biodiversity and climate change policies in the framework of the NDICI and based on the conclusions obtained in the conference on the Ibero-American strategy for biodiversity information held in November 2022 in Seville with GBIF LAC nodes. In particular, s/he will monitor the accomplishment of the tasks, activities and deliverables related to the existing synergies between both EU Green Deal & Blue Growth and the 2030 SDGs.

C. The ideal candidate must meet the following requirements

- University Degree in Biological Sciences;
- At least 25 years of accredited professional experience in working in EU-LAC Government Agencies and on international cooperation policy development desirable;
- Minimum 25 years of accredited experience in management, preparing international proposals, and their further administrative processing;
- Independent English User (B2 level);
- Proficient Spanish User (C2 level);
- Proven organisation and communication skills, proactive attitude, capacity to work in teams and under tight deadlines, in international environments and in multi-language contexts;
- Available to travel abroad according to the specific working needs of this position;
- High-standard work ethic.

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- Essential ICT skills: Command of MS Office package;
- Experience and understanding of fundraising initiatives, in particular dealing with diverse stakeholders (e.g., Citizen Science activities, etc.);

- Proven experience in working in EU-LAC Government Agencies on international cooperation policy development;
- Experience in the preparation of proposals of Horizon calls and other international cooperation funds;
- Understanding of the structure, functioning and regulation of the European Research Infrastructure Consortia (ERICs).

D. The vacancy is subject to the following procedure

- A **short covering letter** and **Curriculum Vitae**¹ (EUROPASS format and annexes, 6 pages at the most) shall be submitted to the Chief Technology Officer and Director of ICT-Core cto@lifewatch.eu and in cc to hiring@lifewatch.eu by **10 February 2023**. Please write "**EULAC_RIPeC Candidature**" in the email subject;
- The selection process will follow the Employment Policy of LifeWatch ERIC;
- S/he will be appointed full-time or s/he could get a specialist consultant contract. A competitive gross amount, based on the qualifications and experience of the candidate, will be offered. Employment/consultancy contract will be in Spain, follow Spanish employment and commercial laws and be subject to a 180-day trial (probation) period;
- This position is a full-time job. Her/his **main office** will be located at the LifeWatch ERIC ICT-Core premises in Seville (Spain), without prejudice to the establishment of others in the future, **in particular, in the Latin American and Caribbean areas** (Uruguay & Costa Rica);
- Start date in office for the appointed person: **February 2023**.

LifeWatch ERIC is an equal opportunity employer, and encourages all qualified candidates to apply, regardless of race, gender, age, national origin, or sexual orientation.

¹Special note for Italian market: According to Italian Privacy Protection Law n. 196/03 any resume not mentioning explicitly the following wording: 'I authorize the use of my personal data in accordance with Italian Privacy Protection Law (30/06/2003, n. 196/03)' will be automatically deleted from our database and consequently not taken into consideration.