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Biotechnology Director

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Entry Requirements:
Candidates are required to have:
(a) a PhD Degree in the field of life science or biotechnology;
(b) a minimum of 10 years' relevant post-qualification experience at a senior management level in a scientific or corporate setting;
(c) strong research or technical background in biotechnology and related areas (preferably enjoy recognised international standing in his/her own specialist field); good scientific and/or business networks; competency in research and development and/or business and product development; and understanding of current trends in technology and market (familiarity with the development and commercial application of biotechnology in the Mainland will be an advantage); and
(d) strong command of both written and spoken English. Proficiency in written Chinese and spoken Cantonese and Putonghua will be an advantage.

Duties: Biotechnology Director is a non-civil service position responsible for providing expert technology-related advice in biotechnology and related fields to the Commissioner for Innovation and Technology. He/She is required to lead a team of professional staff to provide assistance to the Innovation and Technology Commission (the Commission) in developing solicitation themes, undertaking project assessment, monitoring progress and evaluating the programmes in related fields under the Innovation and Technology Fund and other funding schemes administered by the Commission. He/She is also expected to maintain contacts with academia, research institutes, industries and other relevant bodies, liaising and supporting the activities of other government departments/organizations in the biotechnology field, and undertaking ad hoc activities related to the Commission’s operation and strategic development in this aspect.

Terms of Appointment: The successful candidate will be appointed on non-civil service agreement terms for three years.

Fringe Benefits:
(a) An end-of-contract gratuity may be granted upon satisfactory completion of the contract. The amount of gratuity payable will be the sum, which, when added together with the Government’s contribution to the Mandatory Provident Fund scheme, equals 25% of the total basic salary drawn during the contract period; and
(b) vacation leave with leave passage allowance, housing benefits in the form of non-accountable cash allowance and other benefits subject to the meeting of the eligibility criteria as stipulated in the regulations relating to the provision of such benefits.

How to Apply: Candidates should apply in writing with a completed application form [G.F.340 (Rev.3/2013)] which can be downloaded from the Civil Service Bureau’s website (http://www.csb.gov.hk), and a full curriculum vitae giving a detailed account of employment records with description of duties and past experience in research/project administration/product development in related fields. Copies of academic qualification certificates and record of previous employment should also be provided. Applications should reach the following mailing and email address:

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Asianet Consultants (HK) Limited, 702-705, 7/F, Wilson House, 19 Wyndham Street, Central, Hong Kong. For enquiries, please call Mr Peter LIU at (852) 2530 0137 or send email to itc-bd@asianetconsultants.com.

Closing Date for Application: 15 June 2018

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