

# Programme Manager (m/f/d)

A full-time position in EIT Health Central Office Accelerator Team | Remote

EIT Health – a Knowledge and Innovation Community (KIC) under the umbrella of the European Institute of Innovation and Technology (EIT) – is focused on promoting entrepreneurship, innovation, and education in the domain of healthy living and active ageing. EIT Health brings together leading organisations along the entire value chain, from smaller companies to larger industry, excellent academic and research institutions, as well as public sector organisations, to promote healthy living, support active ageing and improve healthcare. We do this by removing barriers to innovation, promoting talent and education, leveraging enabling technologies and exploiting big data. EIT Health Central Office is located in Munich and develops its activities across a network of Regional Innovation Hubs in Paris, London, Barcelona, Rotterdam, Stockholm, and Mannheim. In addition, the InnoStars office in Budapest involves Partners from Hungary, Poland, Portugal, and Italy.

## About the Role

For a growing new line of activities, EIT Health Accelerator seeks to engage a talented Open Innovation Programme Manager with a passion for healthcare to help us build an offering and a portfolio of industry-driven open innovation programmes. We are looking for someone with considerable expertise and experience in designing and delivering state-of-the-art open innovation and business acceleration programmes. We need a programme manager who will be able to design, develop and implement programmes strategically in a matrix organization.

This role is one of limitless possibilities, where you're welcome and expected to think and operate like an entrepreneur and play an active role in creating impact across the board for patients, clients, and entrepreneurs. If you live and breathe start-ups, innovation, venture capital, healthcare and technology, and love to operate in a role where your efforts create direct impact – this opportunity is for you.

The Open Innovation Programme Manager will be reporting to the Head of Open Innovation.

#### About you:

You are a mid/senior level professional with a strong interest in healthcare, entrepreneurship and business acceleration. You are a keen learner, and you strive for excellence in everything you do. You have a strong sense of ownership and responsibility. You have previously worked in a consulting or sales role, or have a good understanding of the culture of big corporations and you can “speak the language”. Ideally, you have a background in life-sciences. You have a commercial mindset, but you understand that first and foremost we work to impact the lives of the patients.

You are creative and determined. You hold yourself and others to the highest work standards. You are a skilled communicator and easily find your way in interactions with colleagues at different seniority levels, internally and externally. You are open minded, and you understand the true value of effective teamwork.

You enjoy taking on new challenges and you view them as opportunities. You feel comfortable working in a remote team, with only occasional in-person meetings in different locations in Europe. Working solely in English is not an issue.

#### Core Responsibilities:

- Develop and improve methodologies and tools for programme implementation.
- Collaborate with partners/clients to understand their objectives and goals to conceptualise programmes.
- Work with the Head of Open Innovation and colleagues from respective Regional Innovation Hubs to design programme methodology, develop programme plans and own the overall responsibility for execution.
- Develop commercial offers, including budgets and necessary resourcing.
- When required, dive into innovation challenge definition through desk research and stakeholder interviews.
- Plan and secure appropriate resourcing of the programme across the Central Office and Regional Innovation Hubs.
- See through the execution of service agreements with clients, when necessary.
- Ensure appropriate recruitment and evaluation tools are in place (forms, score-cards, evaluation criteria).
- Deliver best possible experience and value to client and start-ups/participants of the programmes.
- Collaborate with the client, Central Marketing and Regional Innovation Hubs with the sourcing of start-ups.
- Identify, recruit, hire and manage experts and mentors.
- Support ongoing tracking of start-ups.

#### Required skills and attributes:

- at least 5 years of experience in fast-paced environments with project management, stakeholder management and business operations;
- good understanding of innovation process in healthcare;
- experience with start-ups and innovation programmes (accelerators and hackathons);
- “can-do” attitude, entrepreneurial and commercial mindset;
- strong team player;
- effective communicator, able to collaborate effectively in verbal or written mediums;
- able to build relationships with partners and represent EIT Health in the ecosystem and facing clients;
- focus on operational and methodology improvements and efficiency;
- strong interest and affinity for healthcare/life sciences, technology, start-ups, entrepreneurship, venture capital and innovation;
- able to learn quickly and operate independently.

#### Non-essential/desired skills:

- experience in big pharma, med-tech or innovation consulting role;
- good knowledge of Stanford Biodesign process;
- background in life-sciences or healthcare and/or equivalent work experience.

#### Location

The role is full-time based in Munich, Germany or remote, home-office.

## Application process

EIT Health applies a policy of equal opportunity and accepts applications without discrimination on any grounds.

Applications should consist of a full curriculum vitae and a short letter introducing yourself and your motivations for applying. Feel free to attach your work samples and/or references (websites, publications, brochures) of your past engagements testifying to your professional track record in the field.

Applications should be sent via e-mail (please use the email title: “Open Innovation Programme Manager” to [applications@eithealth.eu](mailto:applications@eithealth.eu). Please indicate your earliest possible entry date as well as compensation expectations.

The position is new and is to be filled as soon as possible. Applications will be reviewed on a rolling basis until the right candidate is identified.

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