

## **Expressions of Interest are invited for the Directorate positions of the newly formed Euro-BioImaging ERIC**

### **The Organisation**

Euro-BioImaging (<https://www.eurobioimaging.eu>) is the European *landmark* research infrastructure for biological and biomedical imaging technologies as recognised by the European Strategy Forum on Research Infrastructures (ESFRI). Through Euro-BioImaging, life scientists can access cutting-edge imaging instruments, expertise, training opportunities and image data services that they might not find at their home institutions or among their collaboration partners. All scientists, regardless of their affiliation, area of expertise or field of activity can benefit from these open access services, which are provided with high quality standards by leading imaging facilities across Europe. The Euro-BioImaging ERIC is structured as a distributed Hub, which consists of Finland as the statutory seat, Italy as the medical imaging coordinator (Med-Hub) and EMBL as the biological imaging coordinator and host of the data services (Bio-Hub).

Euro-BioImaging was granted the legal status of an ERIC (European Research Infrastructure Consortium) on 29 Oct 2019, became fully operational in December 2019 and is currently supported by 16 members.

### **The Opportunity**

This is an exciting leadership opportunity to form the foundation senior management team as full-time employees to further build, develop and coordinate the recently established Euro-BioImaging ERIC. The mission of this new research infrastructure is to provide the European research community, collaborative partners and industry with world class imaging services that bridge biological and biomedical imaging and enable innovative and world-class research. Whatever the scale of imaging, Euro-BioImaging provides the tools and support to explore and answer research questions.

The Directorate of Euro-BioImaging is composed of the Director General, the Section Director of the Med-Hub and the Section Director of the Bio-Hub. The role of the Directorate is to both provide advice to, and implement the decisions of, the Euro-BioImaging Board. In addition, the Directorate will be responsible for: the day-to-day management of the Organisation, promoting the research infrastructure nationally and internationally, ensuring the coordinated provision of access, services and training to state-of-the-art imaging technologies for all life scientists in Europe and beyond and finally, to foster liaison and cooperation across the broad bioimaging communities.

Euro-BioImaging ERIC is now seeking to recruit the Directorate;

Expressions of interest are therefore invited for the following roles:

Director General (Statutory seat, Turku, Finland)

Section Director (Med-Hub, CNR, Turin, Italy)

Section Director (Bio-Hub and Data Services, EMBL, Heidelberg, Germany)

## Application conditions, process and tentative timeline

Euro-BioImaging is an inclusive, equal opportunity and non-discrimination employer. The international nature of Euro-BioImaging Hub, along with the operation of the currently 21 Nodes providing cutting-edge biological and biomedical imaging services, make an attractive and inspiring working environment, offering a wide view on the biomedical imaging field in Europe as a whole.

The successful applicants will have the following qualities:

- Senior scientists – proven through a PhD and scientific record in the life sciences in academia and/or industry – with a strong background in development of biological and biomedical research infrastructures and in application of imaging technologies.
- Strong personal networks in the European and international imaging research infrastructure communities.
- Motivation, vision and understanding of Euro-BioImaging and the field such as:
  - Broad understanding of main technical and operational issues in imaging infrastructure development, role of imaging for biological and medical research.
- International leadership and management skills such as:
  - Running multi-disciplinary teams.
  - Experience with cultural diversity.
- Diplomacy and excellent communication and interpersonal skills at the scientific, managerial and political level.
- Ability to engage in frequent business trips in Europe and internationally is required.
- Fluency in English is required.

The Euro-BioImaging Directorate forms the operational leadership of the distributed coordinating and supporting Hub of the international infrastructure. The three directors will work in close collaboration and are expected to synergistically complement each other in skills and expertise.

The Director General would likely have well established links to ESFRI, other European research infrastructures, and the European Commission. The Med-Hub Director would likely have high level expertise in multiple aspects and technologies related to biomedical and pre-clinical imaging. Finally, the Bio-Hub Director would likely have high level expertise in multiple aspects and technologies related to biological imaging. For reference, Euro-BioImaging technologies can be found at <https://www.eurobioimaging.eu/service>.

All positions would benefit from experience in strategy and policy development on the national and European level. Ideal candidates should have a strong motivation and willingness to take Euro-BioImaging to next level, i.e. by growing its portfolio and membership, and promote its international recognition as THE European infrastructure for imaging technologies.

Appointments will be to a full-time fixed term (5yrs) contract academic position. The annual gross salary of the three Directorate positions is negotiable and will be commensurate with the

responsibility of the position, the experience of the candidate and highly competitive compared to other similar jobs in the field.

**The Director General** is employed by and positioned at the Euro-BioImaging ERIC Statutory seat, Turku, Finland.

**The Med-Hub Section Director** is employed by CNR and positioned in Turin, Italy.

**The Bio-Hub Section Director** is employed by and positioned at EMBL, Heidelberg, Germany.

A letter expressing an interest in any of these positions along with a CV and any other relevant information should be sent (electronically) by (31/08/2020) to the Chair of the Euro-BioImaging selection panel (Professor Ian Smith):

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Potential candidates will be contacted by (14/09/2020) with further details around the formal application process (detailed process description, selection criteria, full position description etc.). After receiving full applications, shortlisted candidates will be contacted and interviews with the selection panel arranged. We are anticipating that the appointment process will be completed by the end of October 2020.

For more Information visit: <https://www.eurobioimaging.eu>

## Enquiries

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