The Biomedical Diagnostics Institute [www.bdi.ie](http://www.bdi.ie) is a Science Foundation Ireland CSET (Centre for Science, Engineering and Technology) that is hosted at Dublin City University (DCU). The BDI comprises an Academic-Business-Clinical partnership that carries out cutting-edge research focused on the development of next-generation biomedical diagnostic devices for Point-of-Care and related applications.

In order to deliver its innovative programme of fundamental and applied research, the Institute has assembled a world-class team of multi-disciplinary research scientists and engineers from 4 industry partners (Analog Devices, Becton Dickinson, Alere, and Biosurfit) and 5 partner academic institutions (DCU, Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland (RCSI), NUI Galway, Trinity College Dublin and the Tyndall National Institute).

Now in its eighth year, the BDI has over 200 personnel involved in its activities and occupies a state-of-the-art facility at DCU. It combines a reputation for excellence in research with a strong focus on the translation of its research outputs into clinical and commercial reality.

We now wish to recruit a Funding Diversity Coordinator who will be responsible for the generation of additional funding from external sources to support the expanding research activity of the BDI.

While the Science Foundation Ireland CSET award constitutes a significant portion of the institute’s research budget, there is a strong emphasis on further growing the support from additional funding sources, both national and international. The Funding Diversity Coordinator will devote his/her time to pursuing such funds and to coordinating the development of proposals in this regard. There will be a particular emphasis on the identification of funding opportunities under the EU Horizon 2020 programme and the administrative coordination of multi-partner proposals for submission to this programme. Accordingly, it is expected that the Funding Diversity Coordinator will devote a minimum of 50% of his/her time to the targeting of Horizon 2020 funding opportunities.
Duties and Responsibilities:
The BDI Funding Diversity Co-ordinator will:

- Brief BDI PI’s and BDI research community on funding opportunities on a regular basis and encourage funding proposals / submissions from the group
- Provide significant input in the coordination, generation and submission of proposals to funding agencies and foundations
- Integrate the inputs of appropriate BDI personnel (PI’s, researchers, administrative staff etc.) into such proposals and contribute the linking text
- Develop new and maintain existing relationships with funding agencies and key stakeholders with a view to maximising BDI opportunities of success in leveraging funding
- Represent the BDI at appropriate national and international networking/information events with a view to identifying collaborative opportunities
- Work closely with the BDI Associate Director in attracting contract funding from industrial sources, where appropriate
- Ensure up-to-date knowledge of all research funding sources (national & international) appropriate to BDI research activity
- Maintain a database of all funding diversity activity within the BDI
- Provide a 6-monthly report to the BDI Governance Committee on funding diversity activities
- Provide funding diversity-related metrics in line with BDI reporting requirements both internal and external

Qualifications
Applicants should have a PhD in a science or engineering discipline or equivalent, together with a minimum of three years relevant experience. The successful candidate will ideally have a background in R&D in an industrial or academic research environment together with an in-depth knowledge of national and international research funding schemes. Experience in the generation of EU FP7 proposals and coordination of team member inputs in this regard would be a significant advantage. Excellent communications and proposal writing skills will be essential.

Salary: €37,750 – €56,442
Subject to experience & qualifications

Closing date: 1st November 2013

Informal enquiries:
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Application forms are available from:

www.dcu.ie/vacancies/APPLICATION_FORM_6pg.doc and from the Human Resources Department, Dublin City University, Dublin 9. Tel: +353 1 700 5149; Fax: +353 1 700 5500 Email: hr.applications@dcu.ie

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