Job Description

Research Centre: ADAPT
Post Title: Temporary Research Integration Officer
Post Duration: 3 month Fixed Term Contract

Dublin City University
Dublin City University www.DCU.ie is a young, ambitious and vibrant University, with a mission ‘to transform lives and societies through education, research, innovation and engagement’. Known as Ireland’s ‘University of Enterprise and Transformation’, it is committed to the development of talent, and the discovery and translation of knowledge that advances society and the economy. DCU is the Sunday Times Irish University of the Year 2021.

The University is based on three academic campuses in the Glasnevin-Drumcondra region of north Dublin. It currently has more than 18,000 students enrolled across five faculties – Science and Health, DCU Business School, Computing and Engineering, Humanities and Social Sciences and DCU Institute of Education. DCU is committed to excellence across all its activities. This is demonstrated by its world-class research initiatives, its cutting-edge approach to teaching and learning, its focus on creating a transformative student experience, and its positive social and economic impact. This exceptional commitment on the part of its staff and students has led to DCU’s ranking among the top 2% of universities globally. It also consistently features in the world’s Top 100 Young Universities (currently in QS Top 70 Under 50, Times Higher Top 150 Under 100).

DCU is placed 84th in the world, in the Times Higher Education University Impact Rankings – measuring higher education institutions’ contributions towards the UN Sustainable Development Goals. Over the past decade, DCU has also been the leading Irish university in the area of technology transfer, as reflected by licensing of intellectual property.

Background
ADAPT is the world-leading SFI research centre for AI Driven Digital Content Technology, coordinated by Trinity College Dublin and based within Dublin City University, University College Dublin, Technological University Dublin, Maynooth University, Munster Technological University, Athlone Institute of Technology, and the National University of Ireland Galway. ADAPT’s research vision is to pioneer new forms of proactive, scalable, and integrated AI-driven Digital Content Technology that empower individuals and society to engage in digital experiences with control, inclusion, and accountability with the long term goal of a balanced digital society by 2030. ADAPT is pioneering new Human Centric AI techniques and technologies including personalisation, natural language processing,
The Role
The ADAPT Centre is now seeking to appoint a temporary Research Integration Officer to support the project management and administration activities across multiple research projects. The successful individual will have project management and communications skills and experience. While the successful individual will primarily support platform projects there may be opportunities to become involved in Spokes and NENC projects as well as platform projects.

Duties and Responsibilities

- Assist ADAPT Principal Investigators and Funded Investigators in the delivery and execution of specific programme objectives, deliverables and milestones within platform research projects
- Encourage collaboration and information sharing across the Centre via initiatives such as research seminars and focused scientific meetings
- Communicate research impact, progress and issues to PIs, Centre Management and Operations teams
- Act as a knowledge, information and communications conduit between and across platform research strands, operations team members and spokes/commercialisation team on research progress and developments
- Work closely with ADAPT operations teams
- Provide organisation and assistance to all research programme meetings (at all levels from full team to individual researchers) and ensure that appropriate notes and decisions are tracked
- Assist in the organisation of plenary ‘scientific meetings’ across ADAPT research strands and support cross-strand collaborative research and communications
- Alert PIs/FIs and Centre Management team to resource allocation issues
- Assist in managing the tracking/reporting of project/programme metrics
- Contribute to the preparation of governance/annual/quarterly and metrics reports for each project and programme

Qualifications and Experience

Minimum Criteria:
The successful individual will have project management skills and experience, along with a primary degree (a recognised project management credentials would be highly advantageous) with relevant experience, along with the following:

Highly Desirable:

- Experience in project management and reporting of collaborative research projects including complete project life cycle pre and post award
- Experience in project management in an RD&I environment
- Knowledge of national research priorities and strategies is highly desirable
- Excellent knowledge of agile methodologies
- Should be a personable, motivated team player, who is disciplined, organized and can manage multiple projects/tasks at once
- Exceptional organisational skills and a strong work ethic
• Excellent interpersonal skills and ability to build lasting relationships with Centre researchers, academics and support teams
• Ability to work independently and across multiple projects or tasks in parallel
• Excellent communication skills, written and verbal
• Computer literacy and ability to interpret and follow instructions accurately