

EIT Digital seeks “Digital Finance” Action Line Leader

EIT Digital

EIT Digital is a leading European digital innovation and entrepreneurial education organisation driving Europe’s digital transformation.

EIT Digital delivers breakthrough digital innovations to the market and breeds entrepreneurial talent for economic growth and improved quality of life in Europe. It does this by mobilising a pan-European ecosystem of over 140 top European corporations, SMEs, startups, universities and research institutes.

As a Knowledge and Innovation Community of the European Institute of Innovation and Technology, EIT Digital is focused on entrepreneurship and is at the forefront of integrating education, research and business by bringing together students, researchers, engineers, business developers and entrepreneurs.

This is done in our pan-European network of Co-Location Centres in Berlin, Budapest, Eindhoven, Helsinki, London, Madrid Paris, Stockholm and Trento. We also have a hub in Silicon Valley.

EIT Digital is an equal opportunity employer.

The Position

Digital Finance focuses on innovative digital tools and interfaces improving the quality of the services provided by financial service providers to private customers and corporate clients, with the objective of making financial systems more reliable, more transparent, and less dependent on central infrastructures. Digital Finance is an area that has attracted a significant amount of investments in the last few years and is the newest Innovation Action Line for EIT Digital.

Reporting to the Chief Research & Innovation Officer, the Action Line Leader is responsible for the impact and return on investment from his or her portfolio of innovation activities. The position requires leadership and management skills as well as operational excellence on building, executing and harvesting from innovation activities.

Responsibilities

1. Portfolio management

- Design & select
 - Orchestrate the design of the Action Line portfolio in close collaboration with Node Directors and EIT Digital Partner organisations
- Drive & impact
 - Drive activity leaders to concretely deliver on their activity milestones and KPIs
 - Drive the market impact of innovation activities with dissemination efforts, customer, stakeholder and investor acquisition etc.
- Succeed & harvest
 - Deliver on the sustainability of the Action Line by guaranteeing the ROI for EIT Digital from innovation activities
- Monitor, act & report
 - Manage daily operational issues and lead the contractual aspects with portfolio activities on behalf of EIT Digital
 - Report on innovation activity results in terms of KPIs, achievements and success stories including in the context of EIT Digital processes

2. Support the integration of Education, Research and Business

- Integrate EIT Digital Accelerator scaleups in the Action Line when appropriate
- Guarantee that the portfolio defines an appropriate set of internships for master students
- Provide the Action Line content for the summer schools
- Drive a good inflow of mature research results into the innovation activities

KPIs

- Delivery on KPI commitments of innovation activities
- Delivery on ROI/sustainability commitments of innovation activities
- Involvement of students in innovation activities
- Inflow of mature research results into the Action Line
- Number of tier-1 communications of Action Line results in collaboration with EIT Digital Communications

Qualifications

- Strong technical (STEM) background -- an MSc is required, a PhD or an MBA is a plus
- Entrepreneurial business skills and way of working
- 10+ years of experience in innovative technical/business positions in the Digital Finance domain (e.g. bank, insurance company, Fintech startup etc.)
- Operational excellence and attention to detail
- Results driven
- Leadership, management and communication skills
- Team player with an international mindset

International travel

The Action Line Leader needs to be prepared to travel up to 50%, primarily to the EIT Digital nodes (Berlin, Eindhoven, Helsinki, Paris, Stockholm, London, Trento, Budapest and Madrid).

Employment

Employment is by EIT Digital. Physical location of work is at one of the EIT Digital Co-location Centres: Berlin, Eindhoven, Helsinki, London, Paris, Stockholm, Trento, Budapest and Madrid. Target start date is as soon as possible.

Languages

Fluent in English with superior verbal and written communication skills.

Knowledge of any of these languages: German, Swedish, French, Finnish, Dutch, Italian, Spanish, Hungarian is a merit.

To apply

Please email a resume and a cover letter to Recruit_Digital_Finance@eitdigital.eu

Applications without a resume and a motivation letter will not be considered. Due to the large amount of applications we normally receive, we will only be able to follow up with shortlisted candidates.

Applications should be submitted before November 15, 2017 at 6pm CET.