EIT Digital seeks an Action Line Leader for Digital Infrastructure

About us

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 200 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. For more information, visit www.eitdigital.eu.

EIT Digital is an equal opportunity employer and values diversity.

Digital Infrastructure Action Line

EIT Digital seeks to generate significant 'deep tech' innovations from top European research results. Our objective is incubation, market uptake and rapid growth of these innovations with an entrepreneurial approach.

We focus our investments on a limited number of innovation areas that we have selected with respect to European relevance and leadership potential - the innovation Action Lines: Digital Industry, Digital Cities, Digital Wellbeing, Digital Finance and Digital Infrastructure. Each Action Line is a portfolio of innovation activities.

Digital Infrastructure is a key Action Line and the core enabler of the digital transformation by providing secure, robust, responsive and intelligent communications and computation facilities. Focus areas include:

- 5G & Internet of Things - Massive number of things & ultra-reliable communication for mission critical applications with a comprehensive approach for connectivity, devices, security and analytics
- Cybersecurity and privacy - Safeguarding the network, the platform, the device, the data
- Distributed real-time computing & Big Data/Artificial Intelligence approaches

The Role

The Action Line Leader is responsible for value creation in the Action Line, on the one hand by shaping the future Action Line portfolio, and on the other hand, by managing of the portfolio of current innovation activities.

The position requires technology intimacy in Digital Infrastructure topics, a business sense, as well as operational excellence and leadership skills. Superior communication skills in English are extremely important for this position.

Key Responsibilities

1. Scouting and extracting promising technologies out of the EIT Digital ecosystem and beyond, and shaping them into Minimal Viable Products and/or Ventures to create value for EIT Digital and its ecosystem partners (technology/architecture orientation);
2. Daily management of the portfolio of innovation activities – driving them to deliver on milestones, KPIs and sustainability commitments (program management orientation).

In addition, the Action Line Leader needs to support the integration of "Education, Research and Business" by defining internships, post-master topics, as well as summer school and PhD position topics.

KPIs

- Impact and value creation from the Action Line portfolio as a whole, as well as that of individual activities
- Timely delivery of activities when it comes to commitments laid down in the Business Plan, including KPIs, impact and value creation
- Involvement of students in innovation activities
- Deep tech quality of the Action Line, in particular 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 and experience

MSc degree in Science, Technology, Engineering or Mathematics (STEM) with Computer Science specialisation; a PhD is an asset

- 10+ years of experience in innovative technical/business positions working in core digital technologies (related to networking, cybersecurity and data processing) with a focus on business and value creation
- Entrepreneurial/hands-on way of working
- Operational excellence and attention to detail
- Business acumen with track record of delivering results
- Advanced leadership and relationship management
- Team player with an international mindset

Languages

- Superior written and verbal communication skills in English is required
- Knowledge of any of these languages is a merit: German, Swedish, French, Finnish, Dutch, Italian, Spanish, Hungarian.

International travel

The Action Line Leader needs to be prepared to travel intensively, primarily to the EIT Digital nodes.

Place of employment   Physical location of work is one of the EIT Digital Co-location Centres or Brussels.

Reporting to EIT Digital Chief Research & Innovation Officer

To apply

Please mail a resume and motivation letter to **all_dinfrast@eitdigital.eu**, outlining how your skills and experience meet the qualifications of the position.
Applications without a motivation letter will not be considered.

Applications should be submitted until 5pm January 25, 2019