



South East Technological University (SETU)

Job Description

Title:	Postdoctoral Researcher in Data Governance (Ref. No. 034845)
Department:	RIKON, Management & Organisation
Location:	Waterford Campus
Employer:	South East Technological University
Reporting to:	RIKON Director
Contract Duration:	2 Year Fulltime Specified Purpose Contract
Commencement Date:	Immediate

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A standby panel may be formed from which vacancies for this role may be filled.

Job Overview:

SETU is seeking to recruit a Postdoctoral Researcher to work on a Research Ireland VistaMilk Research Centre funded project focused on developing a farmer-centric data governance framework that will empower farmers to play a more integral, co-creative and meaningful role in the inputs and outputs of digital engagement and data activities for better enablement of trustful and quality data sharing and technological innovation opportunities between stakeholders.

VistaMilk is a world leading Research Ireland Research Centre for innovative precision pasture-based dairying. Leading the Agri-Food technology sector through innovation and enhanced sustainability across the dairy supply chain. This post-doctoral researcher position is based in the RIKON Research Centre, Waterford campus of SETU and aims to take a multi-actor approach to engage with agriculture stakeholders in order to profile data governance practices and challenges within farmer segments to enable targeted and practical strategies, tools and solutions that can be

used by both Vistamilk's researchers and innovators to ensure good data governance and responsible data sharing in a trusting environment'.

This is a multi-faceted role requiring project management, data analysis and communication skills. The research will involve a state of the art review of data governance issues, stakeholder mapping, conducting participatory farmer engagement workshops, and developing practical strategies, tools and solutions based upon identified and profiled data governance segments. The Post-Doctoral Researcher will, while working in conjunction with senior research staff, gain insight and experience into a variety of areas including the processes of project and budgetary management, publishing in peer-reviewed academic journals, writing grant applications, and attracting external funding; the development of active collaboration with relevant national and international research communities; the development of communication and presentation skills, leadership and management skills, and overall career development. If you are interested in working in a unique environment that offers a culture that promotes autonomy and the pursuit of individual interests and ideas, then we are eager to hear from you.

Key Responsibilities/Duties:

- Manage, monitor, measure, and report on an agreed basis on the key project areas assigned.
- Apply research expertise to challenges in the areas of data governance
- Perform basic and applied research in line with the objectives and workplan of funded research projects, under direction from the project Principal Investigator.
- Coordinate project meetings and reporting with project leads and relevant others.
- Communicate the project outputs both externally with the industry client and internally within RIKON.
- Develop and manage their own programme of academic research and appropriately manage associated administrative activities.
- Participate in project and RIKON seminars and discussion groups to develop and refine ideas collaboratively.
- Act as a source of information and advice to other members of the project and RIKON on methodologies or procedures.
- Develop a dissemination strategy through relevant publications, journals, conferences and research with suggested metrics in order to raise the profile of the work.
- Prepare research publications for publication in well-ranked conferences and journals, both alone and in collaboration with other project, client, and RIKON members.
- Contribute to the development of research funding proposals.
- Perform other tasks that contribute to the achievement of the project and RIKON strategic research objectives.

PERSON SPECIFICATION		
Attributes	Essential	Desirable
Academic Qualifications	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PhD Qualification in Business/Management/Social Sciences or a related field. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PhD Qualification in Governance Frameworks.
Experience	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Proven team and project management experience. • Experience in conducting high-quality research. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2 years working as a postdoc in an academic environment. • Expertise in data governance in agriculture.
Specific knowledge and skills	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Proven project management experience and effective management of time and delivery on metrics. • Proven track record of high-quality peer-reviewed publications in top tier journals. • Demonstrated ability to accurately represent and promote scientific projects to audiences of diverse technical backgrounds. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Knowledge of farm centric data governance models. • Ability to actively feed into new research funding proposals.
I.T. Skills	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Proficiency in the Microsoft Suite 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Project Management software.
Specific Personal Qualities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Collegial. • Collaborative. • Team leader and player. • Excellent interpersonal and organisation skills. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Highly motivated. • Ambitious. • Self-directed. • Metric-driven.

Salary: The Gross Salary applicable to this post is €48,671 - €50,968 p.a. as at (01/10/2024)

All vacancies are advertised through this online recruitment system. All applications must be submitted via this system. We no longer accept applications through email.

At a minimum, candidates must demonstrate in their application that they possess all of the essential elements applicable in the person specification. The Technological University will then decide to interview only those applicants who appear from the information available to be the most suitable in terms of experience, qualifications, and other requirements of the post. Candidates should keep a hard copy of the advert for their file as this will be needed for review should their application progress.

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