



EU Projects Manager (Permanent)

Location: Naas, Co Kildare

Company Profile:

OpenSky a European challenger brand to the large global software consultancies, delivering innovation across Government, Transport, Environment and Health sectors in the Ireland and the UK.

Due to business growth, OpenSky has a new role for a EU Projects Manager on a permanent basis in our Naas office. You will be a key member of a high performing team, working with colleagues in both Poland and Ireland as part of the wider project group, delivering on Government and European strategic projects.

Why Join our Team:

OpenSky is a dynamic, exciting place to work. We hire exceptional people, and every one of them is empowered to think independently, take initiative and be innovative in their job. We are committed to ensuring that our performance and reward strategies are designed to effectively support our employees at every opportunity and offers an excellent work-life balance.

At OpenSky our employees enjoy the creative, agile and meaningful work they do, the resources and technology they have access to and the benefits we offer. The projects we work on make a real difference, and that's what makes us distinct in our industry. This very factor means that our employees get to work with the latest and emerging technologies.

We've built a truly unique culture here at OpenSky, where our employees are always learning, challenged with interesting projects and rewarded with fantastic benefits. We attract talented individuals from a wide range of cultural, geographic and educational backgrounds whom bring with them a rich variety of skills and experiences.

Our plan is simple; we hire the best people whom possess the skills, talent, expertise, experience and motivation that we require and when we find them, we help them grow, develop and achieve their goals.

The values we share help us to thrive and succeed, both as individuals and as a team. If you share those values, you'll fit right in!

The Job:

The EU Projects Manager is responsible for the successful implementation of existing European Union funded projects and for the development of new EU funded opportunities and projects.

This role will lead in the generation of new projects aligned with OpenSky's R&D objectives, under the Horizon 2020 programme and any subsequent EU programmes. Growing our partner network with National Bodies and European institutions involved in EU funded research is fundamental to success.

Description of position:

- Carry out the implementation of EU Projects within the scope, work programme, timeframe and budget specified and on the basis of the contract agreed with the European Commission and with the senior project owners
- Research and examine models of best practice in other regions
- Collaborate with stakeholders, businesses, public representatives both locally and across Europe to ensure the effective implementation of EU projects
- Travel abroad within Europe to attend and represent OpenSky Data Systems in the project international steering and working committee meetings
- Manage applications to EU funded calls
- Work across relevant departments and carry out all such actions, measures and duties as are necessary for the implementation of the EU Projects
- Align the funded opportunities with OpenSky's Research and Development objectives
- Maintain and build the network of EU and National partners required for growing the EU projects unit within OpenSky
- Create and maintain appropriate records, reports and documentation as required
- Ensure that effective and appropriate monitoring procedures are carried out to record project activities and progress
- Undertake research as required into proposed EU projects and local initiatives

Core Requirements:

- Bachelor's Degree or higher, preferably in international trade, economics or politics, project management, communications or related fields (or equivalent)
- Ability to Network and develop relationships with external partners to grow OpenSky's EU projects programme
- Be able to demonstrate competence in Influencing and Negotiating, Delivering Quality Outcomes and Leading and Motivating
- Proven track record in the management / administration of EU Projects
- Experience of budget preparation and management
- Commitment to see projects through to completion within agreed deadlines
- Self-confident individual with strong interpersonal and communication skills
- Highly organised with ability to multi-task, work to deadlines and deliver under pressure
- Excellent drive, commitment and enthusiasm
- Open-minded, proactive self-motivated team member
- Excellent written English & strong communicator
- Clean driving Licence and ability to travel freely in the EU

Experience:

- 3 years + proven relevant experience
- Have strong management and communication skills with an ability to lead and motivate to achieve excellent results within the EU Projects area
- Have the ability to work under pressure in a complex environment on own initiative, minimum supervision and to tight timelines
- Have very strong customer service skills, understanding the importance of systems, process and structures in enabling efficient delivery of an effective team
- Have excellent organisational, presentation and written skills and the ability to interact with employees at all levels in the organisation
- Experience in managing cross country projects, writing proposals and delivering EC projects, working in an international context with a range of stakeholders

We Offer:

You will form part of a high-performance team, working together to deliver projects of national and international importance changing the way large Business and Governments work.

- Competitive Salary – market adjusted
- Continuous Professional Development
- Education Assistance Programme
- Company Pension
- Employee Assistance Programme (EAP)
- Annual Health Screening
- Employee Referral Scheme
- Ethical Employer
- Friendly, fast paced atmosphere
- International working environment in a growing company
- Work with innovative technologies & solutions
- Personal development programmes

Please note we do not require the assistance of third parties.

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