

Senior Officer for the Scientific Coordination and User Office (Ref. 8029316)

The Scientific Activities Division (SAD) of the Science Directorate at the European Spallation Source (ESS) in Lund, Sweden, invites applications for a Senior Officer for the Scientific Coordination and User Offices (SCUO).

Description of division

The Scientific Activities Division (SAD) is responsible for the Support Laboratories, Sample Environment as well as the Scientific Coordination & User Office (SCUO) at the ESS. SCUO will enable user access to beam time, ensure community interaction, provide training activities, encourage collaborative scientific activities and enhance neutron usage to young researchers. As Senior Officer for SCUO, you will build this platform and see it through to user operations.

Main responsibilities

Activities during the future operational phase shall include (a) managing the peer-reviewed user program incl. proposals, scheduling, planning user visits, collecting experimental report and tracking KPIs on ESS' scientific impact; (b) ensure community interaction on neutron capabilities incl. user meeting and science symposia to enhance neutron usage especially by young researchers; (c) provide access for and outreach to industry which includes dedicated training activities for community building, collaborative industry actions as well as coordinating industrial liaison activities with other ESS innovation stakeholders and external neutron hubs and (d) encourage internal collaborative scientific activities such as seminars and colloquia via Science Focus Teams as well as coordinate the ESS PhD program.

During the current ESS construction phase your input is required to the ESS access policy and you will be in charge for its implementation for a future user programme. The latter involves (i) exchange of knowledge, best practice and consultancy among the facilities all optimising procedures and offered services, (ii) developing and promoting new access modes and KPIs demonstrating ESS' impact as well as (iii) supporting current and future collaborations such as LENS and BrightnESS2. Finally liaising with the ESS Data Management and Software Centre (DMSC) and other services to ensure adequate software tools are available and train the future SCUO team for its operational tasks. You will be part of the management team of the Scientific Activities Division. As the team grows there is a future development possibility for the role of a group leader.

Qualifications and experience

You must hold an academic degree in a subject relevant to the portfolio of the tasks and proven professional experience (3+ years) from a similar role at a research infrastructure, university or industry. A Master's degree in engineering or a natural science and experience in neutron scattering techniques is an advantage. You are self-motivated, have excellent communication skills, and will be an effective part of a team with diverse backgrounds and competences. Experience of working in an international environment is essential. Excellent oral and written English skills are a prerequisite. You are highly interested in research using neutrons by academia and industry and you have a strong project management culture. ESS is currently a construction project, but will become a user-oriented facility catering to external scientists, therefore a commitment to good service and understanding the needs of others is essential. This position requires a practical approach and you are adaptable, flexible, entrepreneurial, highly motivated, and capable of implementing and successfully pushing the SCUO platform forward. Leadership skills and experience is seen as a merit.

What ESS can offer

ESS can offer you a variety of things, such as passionate colleagues, a vibrant melting pot of diversity, and a challenging and high paced work environment where our employees take great pride in designing and building a world leading facility for materials research.

If you were to join ESS, you would become an important piece of the puzzle, since all our skilled staff are needed in order to fulfill the overall mission. We value and need expertise, innovative minds, great ways of leading and interacting with others, and the ability to work with people regardless of culture and background. We value and welcome diversity and encourage applicants from under-represented groups to apply for this position.

Duration & Location

The position is permanent with six months initial probationary period. Your work place will be situated in Lund, Sweden. The position is to be filled as soon as possible.

The deadline for applications is **December 16th 2018**.

Application & Contact

Please provide your curriculum vitae and cover letter in English by clicking on "apply" and following the instructions. *Please note we only accept applications via the ESS website or ESS intranet. Internal candidates are encouraged to apply through the intranet.*

For further information regarding the position, please contact the head of the Scientific Activities Division Arno Hiess, arno.hiess@esss.se

For further information regarding the recruitment process, please contact the HR Officer Sara Margaryan, sara.margaryan@esss.se

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We look forward to your application!