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Sr. Project Director mRNA/Small Scale Biologics

Job Description Summary

Today, Lonza is a global leader in life sciences operating across three continents. While we work in science, there's no magic formula to how we do it. Our greatest scientific solution is talented people working together, devising ideas that help businesses to help people. In exchange, we let our people own their careers. Their ideas, big and small, genuinely improve the world. And that's the kind of work we want to be part of.

Lonza in Visp is looking for a Senior Project Director (mRNA & Small scale). The Project Director is assigned to a specific growth investment project and is responsible for planning, managing and executing of this project in IBEX Visp and potentially other sites within EMEA. The Project Lead will lead and manage a matrixed team of professionals to ensure the on-time, within-budget successful execution of the projects. The Project Lead will report to the Network Lead Small-mid Scale Biologics / mRNA.

Key responsibilities:

- Responsible for delivery of project goals in terms of cost, time, functionality and according to client expectations.
- Responsible for the maintenance of quality systems and cGMP compliance for the business by ensuring that all project CAPEX leads and teams comply with processes, procedures and instructions for all activities in which the team participates.
- Securing optimal flow of information within project organization and at interfaces with project champion/project steering committee, and mediating in case of problems.
- Creating, executing and updating project work plans as appropriate to meet the changing needs and requirements.
- Reporting regularly in writing, including project progress reports. Includes both internal to Lonza stakeholders as well as ensuring external partners if needed are informed/aligned.
- Establishing the project team/ structure necessary to reach the project goals and ensures appropriate coaching/development/performance feedback to all direct reports in order to develop a strong and competent team.
- Ensuring compliance with all pertinent safety policies, rules and regulations.

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Key requirements:

- Master degree or PhD in engineering (process, pharmaceutical, biochemical engineering or equivalent) or long time and in-depth project management or operational experience in multiple international environments.
- Extensive experience in project engineering and project management for chemical, biochemical, pharmaceutical industries or facility layout and optimization or equivalent, with vast experience and expertise in the field of s ite/facility/process and utility functionality, setup and layout, knowledge of current technology in the field of building, building technology, DS and DP processes, automation and utility technologies
- Experienced in cGMP
- Good understanding of how the CDMO industry/business works
- Fluency in English is required, German a plus
- Strong leader, motivating team player, drives results, excellent communication skills and experience in managing matrix-based cross-functional teams

Every day, Lonza's products and services have a positive impact on millions of people. For us, this is not only a great privilege, but also a great responsibility. How we achieve our business results is just as important as the achievements themselves. At Lonza, we respect and protect our people and our environment. Any success we achieve is no success at all if not achieved ethically.

People come to Lonza for the challenge and creativity of solving complex problems and developing new ideas in life sciences. In return, we offer the satisfaction that comes with improving lives all around the world. The satisfaction that comes with making a meaningful difference.