



Swiss Alliance for
Data-Intensive Services

Job Opening: Managing Director of Swiss Alliance for Data-Intensive Services

The Swiss Alliance for Data-Intensive Services (Data+Service) is a Swiss association with the goal to provide a significant contribution to make Switzerland an internationally recognized hub for data-driven value creation. It is one out of eleven Swiss National Thematic Networks, supported by CTI.

Data+Service focuses on three main areas:

- Innovation: Catalyse scientific innovation into data-driven products, services and business models
- Education: Provide training on both technical and business-related topics around data-driven value creation
- Inspiration: Make achievements visible and thus inspire innovation and entrepreneurship

We are looking for a

Managing Director (50-100%).

The Managing Director reports to the board (Vorstand) and is responsible for the operations of the network. In particular, the Managing Director has the following responsibilities:

- Manage network's operations
- Install and run the office (including hiring and managing administrative staff)
- Membership management
 - Acquisition of new members
 - Manage operative tasks around membership
 - Network with members, and ensure all members receive value from and create value for the network
- Supervise, coordinate and support activities in the network, e.g. expert groups, innovation bootcamps, webinars, in-house seminars, award programs.
- Support creation of research and development projects by bringing together companies and academics around innovation topics
- Organize Data+Service events (conferences, workshops etc.)

- Prepare board meetings and support board members
- Secure the financial health of the association and lead it into financial independence from CTI support within the next four years

For this position, we are looking for a person with the following qualifications:

- Leadership, organizational and communication skills
- Solid knowledge and practical experience in the foundational fields of data science and service science and their application in the areas of industrial services (Internet of Things, Industrie 4.0) as well as digital and mobile services for humans
- Good knowledge of the Swiss academic (ETH, universities, and universities of applied sciences) as well as industrial environment, in particular in the fields of data science and service science
- Experience in innovation transfer, in particular cooperative innovation projects between companies and academic institutions
- Well connected (companies and academic institutions) in the relevant fields (main focus: Switzerland)
- Fluent in German, French and English.

Applications for this challenging position can be sent to Christoph.Heitz@zhaw.ch by August 31, 2016.