

## AQUA- Hub is looking for an Innovation Hub Manager in Coimbatore

### **Brief profile of our Company:**

The Fraunhofer-Gesellschaft, head quartered in Germany, is the world's leading applied research organization. With its focus on developing key technologies that are vital for the future and enabling the commercial exploitation of this work by business and industry, Fraunhofer plays a central role in the innovation process. As a pioneer and catalyst for groundbreaking developments and scientific excellence, Fraunhofer helps shape society now and in the future. Founded in 1949, the Fraunhofer-Gesellschaft currently operates 76 institutes and research institutions throughout Germany. The majority of the organization's 30,000 employees are qualified scientists and engineers, who work with an annual research budget of 3 billion euros. Of this sum, 2.5 billion euros is generated through contract research. Our global footprint is very strong, with offices and research centres in the USA, Europe and Asia. Some of our renowned innovations are the MP3 software, white LED's and the smallest of cameras.

Fraunhofer has been a long-time trusted innovation partner in India, collaborating with some of the major players in the field of Material Science, Energy, Environment, Automotive, Electro-mobility, Production Technology and Smart Cities, working with Industry, Government and Public Sector.

### **Brief about the project 'AQUA –Hub'**

India's cities face complicated tasks to meet the infrastructure needs of rapidly growing areas. Water scarcity, inadequate wastewater treatment and lack of access to and knowledge of technological solutions pose major challenges for India's water sector. At the same time, many German actors have knowledge and specialised technologies that can contribute to solutions. However, the often specialised and decentralised actors find it difficult to gain a foothold in the Indian market. In AQUA-Hub Water Innovation Hubs will be implemented in the two Indian Smart Cities, Coimbatore (Tamil Nadu) and Solapur (Maharashtra), and accompanied by pilot measures of German technology for water quality monitoring. AQUA-Hub addresses the needs of the local water sectors identified in previous projects, as well as the challenges of the German water industry to develop projects, relationships and business on the Indian market. A local presence is of great importance for the relations and the exchange of information between the German and Indian actors. In addition to network activities and the mediation of business partners, the hubs fulfil the function of project centres for the realisation of technical demonstration projects and support the access to water technologies "Made in Germany". In this context, the AQUA-Hub project seeks to hire a HubManager for Coimbatore to act as local focal point and support the development of the Water Innovation Hub into a self-sustaining entity for sustainable water management beyond the project duration. For more information visit [www.aqua-hub.de](http://www.aqua-hub.de).

### **Roles & Responsibilities**

- Represent the local Water Innovation Hub as contact point
- Monitor local water sector for upcoming projects, trends and new developments and inform project partners
- Prepare regular communication materials e.g. weekly social media posts, monthly newsletters and website content
- Participate in regular project meetings and bimonthly activity updates

- Advise the project partners on project activities
- Grow stakeholder networks
- Support the organisation of online meetings (e.g. webinars etc.)
- Support the facilitation of projects and marketing of water technologies
- Support the implementation of the monitoring project and data management system
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#### **We are looking for a Hub Manager ...**

- The candidate should have a degree (preferably Master's degree) in Civil Engineering / Environmental Engineering / Chemical Engineering or an equivalent degree in Water Technology.
- With good communication skills, both written and spoken, in English and Tamil
- With working experience in the water and wastewater sector
- With an innovative mind-set with willingness to learn about new technologies
- Who is a good networker and linked to relevant stakeholders in the water sector
- With experience in project management
- Preferably with experience in cross cultural working environment, especially within the Indo-German context

#### **What we offer....**

- Consultancy contract for a period until End of March 2023 (potentially longer) with one of the leading institutions of the Indo-German cooperation
- Exciting opportunity to work in an international team
- New insights to the latest developments in water technology
- Possibility to grow new networks with Indian and German stakeholders
- Opportunity to become a driving force behind an innovative development for water cooperation between Germany and India

#### **Payment of fees**

In consideration of the Services to be provided, the Company shall pay INR 40,000 per month (approx. 500 Euros). The breakup of fees is as follows:

<b>PARTICULARS</b>	<b>MONTHLY FIGURES (IN INR)</b>
Consultancy fee	36000
Local travel / conveyance	3000
Mobile / Internet	1000
<b>Total fee</b>	<b>40000</b>

Applicable TDS @ 7.5% will be deducted.

## **Application**

To apply for this position, please send us your motivation letter, your curriculum vitae and other relevant documents (e.g. job reference, publications etc.). Suitable candidates will be invited for interviews via video call. Interviews will take place in Nov - Dec 2022.

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