# International Agency for Research on Cancer



Vacancy Notice No: IARC/15/FT533 Date: 6 October 2015

Title: Scientist Application Deadline: 3 November 2015

Grade: P3 Duty Station: Lyons, France

Contract type: Fixed-term Appointment Organization unit: IARC (IARC)

Section of Early Detection and Prevention (EDP)/Prevention

Duration of contract: 1 year - Extra-budgetary position and Implementation Group (PRI)

subject to availability of funds.

## **OBJECTIVES OF THE PROGRAMME:**

established for a limited duration of one (1) year. Any extension

The goals of PRI Group are to evaluate new preventive strategies, with particular emphasis on the use of new technologies, including molecular markers, to engage in research on methods to implement existing strategies taking into account the social, economic and cultural differences, to collaborate with decision makers to implement already available preventive interventions against cancer, particularly in developing countries where the need is highest and to foster technology transfer and generate educational processes for clinicians, public health decision makers and the public, to make sure the available technology is put in place where it is mostly needed.

# **Description of duties:**

As a member of the team, and under the overall guidance of the Head of the PRI Group, the incumbent is expected to, in the context of prospective studies:

- 1. Identify and evaluate potential study collaborators.
- 2. Provide supervision and training to IARC field activities and data analysis.
- 3. Coordinate laboratory scientists as well as publication of study results.
- 4. In the context of planned studies of cervical cancer screening in Tanzania, in collaboration with WHO/RHR contribute to the development and implementation of protocols, including the design of questionnaires, collection of biological samples, monitoring activities, and statistical analyses.
- 5. Develop and coordinate, in collaboration with PRI scientists and RHR/WHO, the protocol of a randomised cluster trial to evaluate the effectiveness of different algorithms for cervical cancer screening in low resource settings with emphasis on low income countries.
- 6. Support the coordination and implementation of the ESTAMPA project in Latin America.
- 7. Participate in other activities related to cervical cancer, including the introduction of new WHO/RHR recommendations and support for AFRO in the establishment and implementation of cervical cancer control programs.
- 8. Participate actively in the development of a research plan and a series of protocols on implementation research, in close collaboration with PRI's Implementation Scientist and Health Economist.
- 9. Write grants with a view to attracting research funding from competitive sources.

10. Perform other related duties as may be assigned by the Supervisor.

## **Education:**

# Essential:

University degree in medicine. Specialization in gynecology or related field desirable.

#### Desirable:

PhD in epidemiology, public health or biostatistics.

## Skills:

- 1) Advanced knowledge of epidemiological methods, public health and clinical concepts in planning, conducting and evaluation of cancer screening and vaccination trials.
- 2) Good field-work skills in managing epidemiological and above-mentioned studies in developing countries, particularly in Africa.
- 3) Solid publication record in international journals.
- 4) Knowledge of computing and the use of commonly used basic statistical software.
- 5) Ability to:
- Behave consistently in accordance with clear personal ethics and values;
- Discuss, understand and interpret relevant public health, epidemiological, and clinical issues in the context of HPV-related cancers:
- Proactively engage and take initiatives in the conduct and evaluation of the studies; and
- Proven ability to write grant applications.

# Required WHO Competencies:

- \* Ability to produce and deliver quality results
- \* Setting an example by behaving in accordance with clear personal ethics and values
- \* Fostering integration and teamwork
- \* Communicating in an credible and effective way
- \* Respecting and promoting individual and cultural differences

## **Experience:**

#### Essential:

At least five years of experience of which at least three years at the international level in positions related to the area of cancer epidemiology.

## Desirable:

Experience of work in developing countries, particularly in the African continent.

#### Languages

Excellent knowledge of English and good knowledge of French.

## **Additional Information:**

### Important Note:

It is mandatory to attach a full list of publications. To add this list, please go to your profile under additional documents.

Candidates called for interview will be expected to give a seminar.

IARC/WHO offers an attractive compensation package including an annual net salary (subject to mandatory deductions for pension contributions and health insurance), dependency benefits, pension plan, health insurance scheme and 30 days annual leave. Benefits for internationally recruited staff may include travel and removal expenses on appointment and separation,

assignment grant, rental subsidy and home leave.

Annual salary: (Net of tax)

EUR 63 710 at single rate

EUR 68 253 with primary dependants

This vacancy notice may be used to fill other similar positions at the same grade level.

Online applications are strongly encouraged to enable WHO to store your profile in a permanent database. Please visit WHO's e-Recruitment website at: www.who.int/employment. The system provides instructions for online application procedures.

All applicants are encouraged to apply online as soon as possible after the vacancy has been posted and well before the deadline stated in the vacancy announcement.

WHO is committed to workforce diversity.

Any appointment/extension of appointment is subject to WHO Staff Regulations, Staff Rules and Manual. Only candidates under serious consideration will be contacted.



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