

VACANCY

REFERENCE NR : VAC00528

JOB TITLE : Head of Department Innovation and Research

JOB LEVEL : E2

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REPORT TO : Executive: Corporate and Digital Strategy

DIVISION : Corporate and Digital Strategy

DEPARTMENT: Innovation and Research

LOCATION : SITA Centurion

POSITION STATUS: Permanent (Internal & External)

Purpose of the job

To produce innovative solutions and products to respond to government service delivery challenges so that appropriate solutions can be created.

Key Responsibility Areas

- Provide inputs into the development and oversee the implementation of the Innovation and Research Strategies
 and operational plans that are aligned to government digital strategy to ensure development of innovative
 solutions for SITA clients.
- Implement and coordinate Innovation Strategy; procedures and methods to ensure adherence to SITA corporate policies & procedures.
- Participate in the development of GWEA and implementation of architectural mechanisms for Innovation and Research to improve interoperability of government systems.
- Develop proof of concepts for service delivery solutions (external focus).
- Develop innovative solutions to address SITA solutions needs (internal focus) and using the SEMP methodology and quality standards – compliance to corporate policies.
- Develop solutions to address e-government initiatives and promote m-government.
- Manage relationships with SITA clients, GITOC, industry, academia and international collaboration with South African partners, i.e. SADC, BRICS to improve technology exchange and sharing.
- Ensure that resources are being kept abreast of the latest industry developments and ensure that appropriate technologies are used for knowledge management so as to ensure that innovation and improved productivity.

Qualifications and Experience

Minimum: Bachelor Degree in Information Technology/Computer Science and/or Electrical Engineering (NQF 7) **Experience**: 8+ years' professional experience in ICT, including leadership, general management, operational responsibility in a large corporate/public sector organisation. The experience must include the following:

- At least 4 years' experience as a general manager or senior manager in corporate/public sector provisioning of large systems within the corporate and public sector.
- At least 4 years' experience in the industry or working in a leadership role in a similar industry with proven technical skills to develop ICT solutions.

Technical Competencies Description

Superior research and analytical skills to track and predict trends. Must be able to work creatively within a budget and use innovation to find ways of more effectively managing resources. Strong business knowledge, understanding of a variety of business practices, and familiarity with the company's industry. Business Development DNA and commercial minded. Risk & Issue management. Financial management principles /methodology. ICT business environment and landscape Government Wide Enterprise Architecture. Government Business Reference Model and Strategy Formulation.

Leadership competencies: Customer Experience, Collaboration, Communicating and Influencing, and Honesty, Integrity, Fairness, Outcomes driven, Innovation, Planning and Organising, Creative Problem Solving, Bimodal IT Practice, Managing People and Driving Performance, Decision-making, Responding to Change and Pressure, and Strategic Thinking.

Other Special Requirements

N/A.

How to apply

Kindly forward your CV to: **Nomazizi.recruitment@sita.co.za** stating the position applying for and the relevant reference number.

Closing Date: 14 July 2023

Disclaimer

SITA is an Employment Equity employer and this position will be filled based on Employment Equity Plan. Correspondence will be limited to short listed candidates only. Preference will be given to members of designated groups.

- If you do not hear from us within two months of the closing date, please regard your application as unsuccessful.
- Applications received after the closing date will not be considered. Please clearly indicate the reference number of the position you are applying for.
- It is the applicant's responsibility to have foreign qualifications evaluated by the South African Qualifications Authority (SAQA).
- Only candidates who meet the requirements should apply.
- SITA reserves a right not to make an appointment.
- Appointment is subject to getting a positive security clearance, the signing of a balance score card contract, verification of the applicants documents (Qualifications), and reference checking.
- Correspondence will be entered to with shortlisted candidates only.
- CV's from Recruitment Agencies will not be considered.
- CV's sent to incorrect email address will not be considered.