IT4Innovations
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The IT4Innovations Centre of Excellence project is one of the largest research projects in the Czech Republic, and is financed by the European Union. The VŠB - Technical University of Ostrava together with the Czech Ministry of Education, Youth and Sports is searching for a suitable candidate for the position of:

The Head of Supercomputing Centre IT4Innovations

The successful candidate will have experience of managing supercomputing activities and will be an experienced scientist and/or manager. This is a unique opportunity to join one of the key research projects in Central Europe at an early stage of its development and to be involved in building a national supercomputer centre at the Tier-1 level (within the top 100 in the world, see www.top500.org for examples) .

The Head of Supercomputing Centre IT4I will be responsible for the overall management, development and day-to-day operations of the centre, which will offer access to high-performance computing resources both for internal staff of IT4I project and for external users from the academic, commercial and industrial spheres. She/he will manage a team of approximately 20 employees and will be in charge of building and maintaining the team and the centre's range of services.

The position will be located in Ostrava, the third-largest city of the Czech Republic. The employer will be the VSB - Technical University of Ostrava with affiliation at the university institute "IT4Innovations". Contract duration: to June 2015 initially, with subsequent extension dependent upon achieved results and the IT4Innovations Centre's further development.

We offer competitive salary comparable with similar positions in the world.

The basic requirements are:
- A minimum of 5 years' experience in the field of managing operations of supercomputing infrastructure.
- Excellent knowledge and orientation in the field of supercomputing.
- A proven track record of working effectively with business, industry and public stakeholders.
- Fluent in written and spoken English. Czech is not essential but would be useful.
- Strong experience in the field of research and development.
- Preferably PhD level or proven equivalent experience.

Interested candidates should send a letter of interest, including a brief description of research and leadership experience, CV and bibliography to: registration@msmt.cz until **January 15th 2012** the latest.

For informal enquiries about any aspect of the post, please contact **Mr. Jiří Štursa** (e-mail: jiri.stursa@vsb.cz, tel.: +420 597 329 386) All enquiries/information from the candidates will be handled in the strictest confidence.

All applications will be assessed by a special selection board (so called Search Committee), consisting of both international and Czech experts as well as representatives of the IT4Innovations centre, that shall meet under the coordination and supervision of the Managing Authority of the Operational Programme Research and Development for Innovation on the turn of November and December 2011.
Top selected suitable candidates will be invited for interviews taking place in the Czech Republic in February 2012 (concrete date and place to be provided).

For details regarding the Search Committees, please visit the following webpage:
www.msmt.cz/strukturalni-fondy/search-committees