

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

National R&D organisation requires an experienced Chief Executive Officer to lead the organisation to deliver the strategic and operational plans. This is a key leadership role within the organisation and the Australian livestock and meat processing sectors, with strong linkages to key industry organisations and research providers.

Reporting to the Chairman and Board, the Chief Executive Officer will be responsible for delivering the strategic objectives and the ongoing development of diverse member programs, industry initiatives, and direction.

The Chief Executive Officer is the primary agent to the Board of Directors and will provide leadership and management in the delivery of programmed research and development projects to the meat processing sector. The Chief Executive Officer is responsible for ensuring accountability is upheld for all funded programs to relevant funding bodies and government agencies, and for ensuring compliance with regard to legislative requirements and requirements of funding bodies. The role will provide strategic advice to the Board; manage an established team of 10-15 people including technical, marketing and administrative staff. As the spokesperson on key policy issues you will oversight communication to members; industry, government; community; and media. The role will require a strong focus on corporate governance of the organisation.

Key requirements

1. Postgraduate qualifications in a business discipline, or demonstrated significant equivalent skills, knowledge and experience working in a management position in a complex organisation.
2. Demonstrated experience in the development, implementation and monitoring of strategic and business plans.
3. Demonstrated research and analytical skills including the use of a variety of data sources to provide advice and recommendations to senior staff.
4. Highly developed verbal and interpersonal skills including experience in the delivery of presentations and in negotiating with and influencing managers and staff across all levels of an organisation.
5. Demonstrated experience in writing briefings and complex reports for a wide range of audiences
6. Strong organizational and time management skills
7. Experience in R&D administration and management
8. Excellent communication skills (written and verbal) with an aptitude for corporate communication and administration
9. Ability to develop and implement R&D policy and procedures for portfolio management and delivery
10. Experience in evaluation activities and analysis

11. Ability to liaise with a variety of stakeholders
12. Ability to oversee and manage assessment of financial performance, contract and program performance and business objectives.

This is a full time position, located in Sydney (North Sydney). A highly attractive remuneration package is on offer to attract the right candidate.

Please apply online at www.agri.com.au with your Letter of Application and CV.

For a confidential discussion on the role please call Dr. Ray Johnson, Managing Director, Agricultural Appointments, on 0419-012841.

Only people with the right to live and work in Australia can apply for this role.

Applications close on November 14th 2014.