The Commonwealth Scientific & Industrial Research Organisation (CSIRO)



Director Communications

The Commonwealth Scientific & Industrial Research Organisation (CSIRO) is one of the world's largest and most successful R&D institutions. An opportunity exists at a very senior level in CSIRO for an outstanding communications professional. Through the execution of an integrated communications strategy, the Director Communications will play a critical role in implementing CSIRO's plan to build a dynamic and growing organisation, become an employer of choice and be recognised by stakeholders everywhere as a major contributor to the wellbeing and success of Australia. An attractive remuneration package will be negotiated with the successful candidate.

THE ROLE

- Reporting to the Deputy Chief Executive, responsible for constructively engaging stakeholders on CSIRO's behalf. Important stakeholders include government, industry, academia and the public at large. Outcomes will include an enhanced profile and reputation of CSIRO amongst Australian governments and departments, and a greater appreciation by the public of the important role of science and technology.
- Working closely with the Chief Executive and his Senior Executives to deliver cohesion in communications and optimal use of resources.
- Reviewing and constructing integrated communications and relationship strategies across all of CSIRO, including consolidating practices across the Corporate Communications Group and CSIRO Divisions. Building vital relationships with the media and key influencers.

THE QUALIFICATIONS

- A strong network of contacts within government.
 Senior experience and demonstrated success in media relations, government affairs, policy development and issues management. Demonstrated ability at enhancing the public profile of an organisation through carefully crafted communications and public relations campaigns.
- Success in a similar senior role in a major organisation (either corporate, government, industry association or not-for-profit) with a high external communications requirement and complex multi-disciplinary internal environment.
- Team player and relationship manager. A person of vision, energy, integrity and credibility. Outstanding presentation skills; a strong leader with business acumen and proven influencing skills.

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Applications should be lodged online through "Opportunities" at www.ekornferry.com entering Opportunity Code MI391 or by post to Kym Grieve at Korn/Ferry International, Level 20, 60 Castlereagh Street, Sydney, NSW, 2000. Confidential inquiries can be directed to Kym Grieve on (02) 9006 3411. The closing date for applications is Friday 20 June 2003.

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