



NIHERST
NATIONAL INSTITUTE
OF HIGHER EDUCATION
RESEARCH SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY
(INCORPORATED BY ACT 20 OF PARLIAMENT ACT NO. 20 OF 1984)

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

The National Institute of Higher Education, Research, Science and Technology (NIHERST) was established as a statutory body by Republic of Trinidad and Tobago Act No. 20 of 1984, now Chapter 39:58. Since its establishment, NIHERST has resourcefully pursued its mandate to promote the development of science, technology and higher education in Trinidad and Tobago, and enhance the innovative, creative and entrepreneurial capabilities of the general population.

PRESIDENT

Reporting to the Board of Governors, the President will provide overall leadership, direction and control of the Institute. The incumbent will lead the development and implementation of strategic plans and shape national policy that fosters, cultivates and recognises innovation, creativity and culture for excellence in Science, Technology and Innovation (STI).

He/she will promote and develop an indigenous capability in the application of STI relevant to the country's development needs, incubating special initiatives as required by national policy. The incumbent will establish and manage funds to promote the commercialisation of STI in priority areas and will safeguard intellectual property.

The President will promote the profile of STI locally, regionally and internationally. He/she will represent the Institute on advisory bodies and committees and develop working alliances to assist Trinidad and Tobago with the diversification of its economy to competitive advantage. He/she monitors the activities of other STI institutions to improve the quality of the Institute's programmes and to promote collaboration and co-operation to deploy best practice and achieve synergies.

The preferred candidate will be a proven leader with strong stakeholder relationship skills. He/she will be commercially savvy, action oriented and a cogent communicator.

Applicants should hold a Master's Degree in Science, Engineering or Technology. Postgraduate qualifications in Management, Business Administration or Economics will be a definite asset.

The ideal candidate will have a minimum of ten (10) years senior management experience and a successful track record in managing and applying STI research in the public and /or private sector/s and in conducting policy research, development and evaluation.

Closing Date: March 22nd, 2019

If you are confident that you meet the foregoing qualifications and wish to be confidentially considered for this opportunity, please email your CV and covering letter to: julia.charles-joseph@niherst.gov.tt

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