

Skills for position of CEO, International Partnership for Dogs (IPFD)

CEO

To succeed and create credibility in the role of CEO of the International Partnership for Dogs, IPFD, you are a very experienced and good leader who is easy to create trust and communicate, both internally and externally at all levels and in a number of different contexts. You will have the courage to make and implement decisions. You are confident in yourself and have a burning interest in issues concerning the non-profit association life. You have, of course, a great interest in and knowledge about dogs and animal health in general and at an international level. Dog welfare is not the primary scope for IPFD, but any background in this area can be interesting.

You are able to work independently and have excellent time-management skills.

The role as CEO of the IPFD entails an overall operational responsibility for IPFD's operations, which includes the following:

Duties and responsibilities

- Usual operational and strategic management and CEO work, e.g., development and follow-up of strategy, operations, budget and reporting to the Board
- Ensure high quality and good delivery in service to IPFD's partner organizations
- Motivate and engage the entire organization, be a role model and ambassador for IPFD and its values
- Build and maintain a strong network among the international dog community, academia, media, politicians and other stakeholders
- Collaborate with similar activities internationally

Requirements

- Experience as a leader and manager
- Understanding of activities that are governed by purpose and values
- Knowledge of the special conditions of the non-profit sector
- Experience of developing external relations internationally
- Very good knowledge of both spoken and written English
- Educated to an advanced academic degree level, preferably in an area within related science subjects and an ability to understand and interpret the scientific/health literature
- Experience from business and business development role with budget and profit responsibility

Desirable attributes/experience

- Experience as a CEO with reporting to the board or of working at Board Level
- Experience in working in a virtual organization or environment
- Negotiation skills, including fundraising and contacts with commercial partners.
- Experience as an operational manager within an animal organisation
- Experience in motivating and participating in a small team.
- Experience, knowledge, expertise in some aspect of the dog world.
- Knowledge of more than one commonly spoken language e.g., French, German, Spanish
- Good understanding of technology, IT infrastructure, online databases, and/or social networking, etc.
- Hands-on experience with website creation and management
- Experience of lobbying
- Accustomed to addressing the media

About International Partnership for Dogs

The International Partnership for Dogs (IPFD) is a non-profit organization leading a global, multi-stakeholder effort to address issues affecting dog health, well-being, and welfare. Our people include a Board comprised of individuals with respected international reputations, and a small but committed team of consultants in several countries. Volunteers from our Partners and Collaborator organizations and a network of experts are integral to what we do. Our Contributors, Partners, and Sponsors include national kennel clubs, international cynological organizations, groups with breed specific interests, educational/academic and professional organizations, and key players in the pet industry. Together with other participating organizations, companies, and individuals, we foster collaborative action to achieve our shared goals, support human-animal interactions, and benefit all dogs worldwide. Read more at www.dogwellnet.com.

Practical considerations

The CEO role at IPFD is a part-time consultant position. Four consultants, other than the CEO work between 20-90 hours a month. The workforce equates to about 1.5 FTEs and, with the CEO entire organization runs on 2 FTEs.

The deadline for submitting applications (via email to pekka.olson@skk.se) is Friday, April 15, 2022.