



## **Managing Director (f/m/x) Vienna BioCenter Core Facilities**



**Location:** Vienna, Austria

The [Vienna BioCenter](#) (VBC) is one of Europe's leading multidisciplinary biomedical research centers and the premier Life Sciences location in Austria. It hosts six basic research institutions and 40 biotech companies. The VBC has attracted more than 2000 excellent scientists from 85 different nations as well as substantial private and public funding.

The [Vienna BioCenter Core Facilities GmbH](#) (VBCF) provides research infrastructure to researchers at the VBC and beyond. It currently employs a staff of 80 and is funded by the Austrian Science Ministry, the City of Vienna and user fees. Since its foundation in 2010, VBCF has succeeded in implementing a broad range of outstanding infrastructure, recruiting highly qualified experts, and developing a unique portfolio of research services. In parallel, VBCF has become a flagship for cutting-edge technologies essential for top-level research in Vienna.

### **Responsibilities**

The Managing Director is responsible for overseeing and coordinating all scientific, technological, financial, and administrative aspects of VBCF's scientific core facilities in interaction with the shareholders and the funding bodies.

### **Main Tasks**

- Develop a comprehensive vision, strategy, and objectives for the core facilities at the VBC, including technology, equipment, human resources, budgeting, and fundraising.
- Evaluate the costs and benefits of new technologies, collaborating with scientists, advisory bodies, and scientific core facility managers to build relevant business cases.
- Secure financing for the VBCF through grants and user fees for the forthcoming years.
- Manage relationships with key users of VBCF services, such as academic institutions and other members of the VBC, to continually enhance the offering.
- Provide guidance to the VBC leadership on equipment needs, acquisition of new technologies, and the expansion, sunseting, and consolidation of existing core facilities.



- Oversee and coordinate the scientific core facilities, including budgeting, investments, and finances.
- Develop, mentor, and motivate a world-class team of scientific and administrative staff at the VBCF while enhancing existing processes to foster a motivating, inclusive, and productive work environment.
- Monitor and address overall user satisfaction with scientific core facilities and services.
- Establish and implement best practices for core facilities management and identify opportunities for process improvement.
- Manage relationships with policymakers for scientific infrastructure at the Austrian and European level and maintain contact with funding bodies.
- Represent the VBCF in leading core facility networks and initiatives worldwide.
- Promote internal and external training activities in state-of-the-art technologies.
- Participate in the development of the Vienna BioCenter Campus.

### **Profile**

The candidate is expected to have a background in life sciences (PhD degree or equivalent qualification) and excellent organizational, communication, interpersonal, leadership, and management skills. They should have at least 3-5 years of experience in research and management in academia or the private sector.

Strong interest and experience in existing and emerging technology platforms are highly recommended. Some experience with European funding schemes is appreciated. The candidate is expected to be fluent in English; fluency in German is considered an asset.

This position offers a competitive executive compensation package on a growing and vibrant campus in one of Europe's most livable cities.

### **How to apply**

Applicants should submit

- a motivation letter,
- a CV,
- contact information of three references

to [hr@vbcf.ac.at](mailto:hr@vbcf.ac.at).

### **Closing date**

April 19, 2024