



Director of Climate Science at Ouranos

Ouranos is seeking an experienced manager to fill the position of Director of Climate Science.

Ouranos has as its mission the acquisition and development of knowledge about climate change, as well as on the related socioeconomic and environmental impacts and vulnerabilities, so that policy makers are kept informed about the changing climate and advised on how to identify, assess, promote and implement regional and local adaptation strategies.

The Director of Climate Science has the mandate to provide the members and partners of Ouranos with the climate information, climate data and climate science expertise needed to study the impacts climate change may have on their various activities.

DUTIES AND CHALLENGES

The Director of Climate Science is responsible for directing the Climate Science program, representing and promoting the mission of this Direction and of Ouranos, and handling day-to-day and strategic management of the activities under his or her responsibility. She will promote and ensure harmonious relationships between the consortium's teams, partners, researchers, and other concerned parties. S/he will make sure that pooled resources are employed effectively, and protect and disseminate intellectual property. Director's main role is to plan, organize, manage and develop the work of the Climate Science division, and in particular:

- Define, oversee, coordinate and manage the activities under their control and prepare Climate Science programming and budgets for the approval of senior management;
- Represent and promote the mission of Ouranos in the public arena, and ensure contact and complementarity with national and international efforts;
- Ensure the scientific rigour of work and keep abreast of scientific developments in climate science at the major international institutional level;
- Discover and develop new partnerships and external contributions in cash or in-kind, whether flowing through Ouranos or not; and
- Advise senior management and carry out any other duties that they may recommend or request.

CANDIDATE PROFILE SOUGHT

This position requires an individual who is recognized by their peers for their dynamism, credibility and excellent research and management skills. The preferred candidate has a broad vision of the various aspects of climate change research and of the requirements and concerns of Ouranos members and partners. Their entrepreneurial spirit will contribute to the organization's reputation.

The candidate should:

- be recognized for the quality of their leadership and management and their ability to work with a multidisciplinary team;
- have obtained a doctorate in a relevant discipline and have scientific experience in either climatology or atmospheric science.
- have good knowledge of the research and government communities and other organizations active in the field of climate science and climate change.
- show a proven capacity to communicate scientific knowledge;
- capable of working primarily in French with a good knowledge of English.

The term of the position corresponds to the current base funding in place at Ouranos until March 2014, and later if renewed. Conditions and salary are competitive with the Canadian market. For further information about Ouranos, please visit the website www.ouranos.ca.

The new Director of Climate Science must be available to join Ouranos on or before March 1, 2012.

Interested candidates should submit their curriculum vitae by **January 20th, 2012** to: Ressources.humaines@ouranos.ca or by mail : Ressources humaines, Ouranos, 550, Rue Sherbrooke Ouest, 19^e étage, Montréal, QC H3A 1B9