

The EssentialMed Foundation, based at the Innovation Park of the EPFL in Lausanne Switzerland, is seeking to hire a

## **Program Leader (100%)** Innovation for health in Africa

### **Mission:**

To lead an ambitious project between Tanzanian and Swiss partners towards enhancing child /adolescent health & well-being in Tanzania. The goal is to evaluate how to create a coherent continuum of innovation activities from research and technology development, through entrepreneurial implementation, to sustainably scaling up. An Entrepreneurs exchange program will also be explored.

### **Profile of the candidate:**

- Engineering background with a Master (e.g. in the domains of life sciences, electronics, mechanics, or material sciences).
- Several years of experience in high-tech entrepreneurial ventures.
- Solid experience with working in Africa, and/or with African partners.
- Knowledge in development issues.
- Demonstrated networking skills and proven ability to manage complex partnerships.
- Strong motivational and leadership skills, with a good sense of diplomacy.
- Self-motivated, independent, positive and with an unwavering dedication to succeed in spite of headwind.
- Curious, hardworking and enthusiastic.
- An MBA is an advantage, but not mandatory.
- Fluent in English, and French or German.
- Ready to travel to Africa (typ. 2-3 times per year)

**Place of work:** EPFL innovation park Lausanne

**Start Date:** second quarter of 2019.

**Duration:** 1 year. Extension is possible

**Submitting your candidacy:** If you are interested, please send:

- A letter of motivation
- A complete CV
- A copy of your certificates

As one single pdf, via e-mail only to [careers@essentialmed.org](mailto:careers@essentialmed.org). **Incomplete files will not be considered.**

**About EssentialMed:** The EssentialMed foundation has been created to address the critical problem of access to essential medical technology in the developing world. EssentialMed is a non-profit organization whose goal is to foster the development and deployment of effective, high-quality and affordable medical technologies adapted to the needs of primary healthcare in resource-poor settings.