

European League of Institutes of the Arts

Executive Director

The European League of Institutes of the Arts (ELIA) is a major international membership organisation for higher arts education. With about 300 members in 47 countries, it represents some 300,000 students in all art disciplines. ELIA advocates for higher arts education on the European level, empowering and creating new opportunities for its members and facilitating the exchange of good practices. ELIA collaborates with partner networks around the world. There is an active Board, consisting of international leaders in higher arts education, which is responsible for the development of long term strategy.

Owing to the retirement of our Founding Director, Carla Delfos, we are now seeking to recruit an inspiring Executive Director. As Executive Director you are responsible for leading, managing and further developing ELIA. You will also be required to expand and professionalise a large and diverse membership organisation. You will be supported by a small team of professionals and will report directly to the President and the Board of the organisation.

Your managerial skills must include organisational development, personnel management, budget control, contracting, planning and managing membership activities and events. As a leader you must have the ability to think proactively and strategically; efficiently translate strategy into action; prioritise tasks; build networks and to lobby for art education in Europe. You are able to communicate with ease, are culturally sensitive and diplomatic. You have a sound knowledge of the diversity of European cultural, educational and research policies with a view to the wider international context. You have provable work experience in a leading position in a multicultural and multilingual environment or network. As executive director of an international membership organization you are service-minded and used to dealing with diversity and complexity. Your main focus is on generating benefits for members.

The position is currently based in Amsterdam, and the salary will be commensurate with the seniority and nature of the appointment.

For further details, including job description, person specification and information on how to apply, please visit www.perrettlaver.com/candidates, quoting reference 2652.

The deadline for applications is Friday 11th November 2016 at 9am CET.

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