

ICN2 is a renowned research centre. Its research lines focus on the newly discovered physical and chemical properties that arise from the behaviour of matter at the nanoscale.

The Institute promotes collaboration among scientists from diverse backgrounds (physics, chemistry, biology, and engineering) to develop basic and applied research, while seeking out new ways to interact with local and global industry.

It also offers researchers training in nanotechnology, develops numerous activities to promote and enable the uptake of nanotechnology by industry, and promotes networking among scientists, engineers, technicians, business people, society, and policy makers.

ICN2 was accredited in 2014 as a Severo Ochoa Centre of Excellence and is a founding member of the Barcelona Institute of Science and Technology (BIST). The aim of the Severo Ochoa Program, sponsored by the Spanish Ministry of Economy, Industry and Competitiveness, are to identify and support those Spanish research centres that demonstrate scientific leadership and impact at global level.

Job Title: Business Development Specialist (Graphene Flagship)

Research area or group: Strategy Development

Description of Area/Project:

ICN2 Strategy Development Office mission is to anticipate and provide a response to the challenges faced by the Institute on both the long and short term. Under the umbrella of the STD Office, ICN2 is committed to consolidating and extending the capacity of the Business Development Area with the aim of providing assistance for ICN2 researchers in developing and maintaining relationships with industry and the business community, with the ultimate goal of commercialising ICN2 technologies..

With a budget of 1 billion Eur, the [Graphene Flagship](#) is Europe's biggest ever research initiative. The Flagship's overriding goal is to take graphene, related layered materials and hybrid systems (GRMs) from a state of raw potential to a point where they can revolutionise multiple industries. This may bring a new dimension to future technology and put Europe at the heart of the process, with a manifold return on the investment as technological innovation, economic exploitation and societal benefits.

ICN2 and Graphene Flagship together are looking for a professional dedicated to developing collaborations with industry players, to facilitate and maximise impact into the European economy, on focus on **Biomedical Applications**.

Main Tasks and responsibilities:

Reporting to the Head of Innovation of the Graphene Flagship and to the Head of ICN2's Strategy Development Office, in close collaboration with the other business developers and researchers of the field, main task will include:

- Proactive development of connections with industry and key stakeholders' players in the area Biomedical Applications: company's needs identification and generation of clear proposals for and successful technology transfer process.
- Understand the existing project portfolio and evaluate its commercial potential for market adoption. This will include proposing, writing, securing funding for and managing commercialization projects/programs of technologies and any associated IPR.
- Management of patent portfolio through active marketing promotion.
- Attend to networking events and activities with the aim to strength relations with companies, investors and stakeholders in this technological area.
- Provide knowhow to researchers and other business development people on how to best enhance commercialization through contract research, IPR licensing, joint ventures and spin-off companies.

Education, Experience, Knowledge and Competences required:

Education

- Master degree within material technology, electronics or related subject: graphene or nanomaterials is a bonus.

Knowledge

- A broad understanding of the market sectors, value chains, key customer groups and technology suppliers
- Fluent in English
- Graphene Biomedical applications background is valued.
- Knowledge of IP management is a must
- International experience is appreciated.

Experience

- Experience of technology transfer activities, business development, especially within new materials or electronics focus on Biomedical sector
- Experience doing negotiations in the technological field.
- Strong experience working in a business management, product management or a customer-facing role in a company related to biomedical applications, graphene and/or nanomaterials.

Competences

- Strong communication skills.
- Project management.
- Team working.
- Negotiation skills.
- Due to the strong multidisciplinary nature of the activities the position requires the capability to work across multiple technological fields.

Summary of conditions:

- Full time work (37,5h/week)
- Contract Length: 2 years.
- Salary will depend on qualifications and demonstrated experience.
- Salary according to the cost of living in Barcelona.
- Support to the relocation issues.
- Life Insurance.

Estimated Incorporation date: Mid-March 2018

How to apply:

All applications must be made via the ICN2 website <http://jobs.icn2.cat/job-openings/127/business-development-specialist-graphene-flagship> and include the following:

1. A cover letter.
2. A full CV including contact details.
3. 2 Reference letters or referee contacts.

Deadline for applications: February 18.

Equal opportunities:

ICN2 is an equal opportunity employer committed to diversity and inclusion of people with disabilities.