

**To start on 1 February 2022 or later as a permanent assignment, we are looking for an experienced manager patents & IP with a strong background in natural or engineering sciences**

**About ELDICO Scientific**

ELDICO Scientific AG (The Electron Diffraction Company) is a Swiss technology and service company founded in 2019 and based in the Switzerland Innovation Park Innovaare at the Paul Scherrer Institute (PSI), a world-leading research institute for natural sciences and engineering. ELDICO develops, manufactures and commercializes solutions based on electron diffractometers, i.e. novel analytical instruments for electron based crystallography that make it possible to investigate nanocrystalline samples. ELDICO recently launched its ELDICO *ED-1*, the world's first electron diffractometer. ELDICO's clients are industrial and academic researchers in large, fast-growing industries such as the pharmaceutical industry, electromobility and the advanced materials/MOF sector. The company partners with leading engineering companies and component suppliers. Currently, and part of a strategic initiative, ELDICO is building a broader patent and IP portfolio to strengthen its business case and prepare a compelling long-term product development roadmap.

<b>Job title:</b>	Manager Patents & IP, m/f/d
<b>Workload:</b>	Full-time (100%) or part-time (60-80%) with the option to increase to 100%
<b>Location:</b>	Zurich (main location) / Villigen-PSI (West)
<b>Term of contract:</b>	Permanent assignment
<b>Line manager:</b>	Chief Technology Officer (CTO)

**YOUR role & responsibilities**

The aim of this position is to build a strong patent & IP portfolio. You will be reporting to the CTO and the CEO. This role requires a person with solid hands-on experience in the field of IP. As Manager for patents & IP, you will be responsible for assessing the patentability of ELDICO's inventions and conducting Freedom-To-Operate studies for new products or services. You will develop specific IP protection strategies and manage, control and supervise the drafting and prosecution of patents with outside counsel support, and organize efficient internal patent prosecution. You will assess competitors' patent and other IP positioning and take action in the case of infringement. In addition, you will draft or review supplier contracts concerning patent-related or IP issues.

## YOUR qualifications

- Master's degree in natural or engineering sciences (i.e. chemistry/physics/material sciences)
- Proven experience in IP and patent management at industrial companies and/or public institutions
- Knowledge of and practical experience in day-to-day IP-related processes, ideally obtained by working with a patent lawyer (regular assignment or internship) or from an R&D-driven enterprise
- High analytical skills and swift understanding of technological opportunities
- Hands-on, solution-oriented and able to work independently within the defined scope
- Native German speaker or equivalent; very good spoken and written English
- Good communication skills on all levels

## NICE to have

- One or more patents of your own or joint patents with others
- Technical skills; specific knowledge in the fields of crystallography, electron microscopy, electron diffraction and/or detecting technologies will be a plus

To be successful in this job, you need to be a self-starter, pay attention to detail while keeping the big picture and be able to communicate in an open and transparent manner to various groups (scientists, product developers, sales). Functional leadership qualities paired with the ability to work in a cross-functional team will particularly make you stand out.

## What ELDICO has to offer

- Appealing technological challenge and immediate responsibility in a highly innovative technological environment
- A high degree of independence in the performance of your daily work
- Support and coaching provided by experienced colleagues, external technology consultants and IP lawyers as well as individual training whenever necessary
- Attractive remuneration incl. participation in the employee stock option program
- The opportunity to help develop the innovative product portfolio of a well-funded, fast-growing start-up

## HOW to apply

Are you eager to help shape the future of a promising start-up? Contact **Francesco Garbuglia** (CTO) and/or **Hans Kühn** (CEO) with your application. Please send PDF file(s) of your CV and cover letter in German (including your availability and desired salary) to [applyforIPM@eldico.ch](mailto:applyforIPM@eldico.ch), ideally before 20 December 2021.

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