



Department  
for Business  
Innovation & Skills

## Chief Executive

Swindon

The Secretary of State for Business Innovation and Skills (BIS) wishes to appoint a new Chief Executive of the Biotechnology and Biological Sciences Research Council (BBSRC) when the post becomes vacant on 1 October 2013.

This is an exciting time for Biology and Biotechnology, with the 21st Century seen as 'The Age of Bioscience' and with BBSRC the lead agency for funding the transition to a Sustainable BioEconomy.

Candidates will need to be able to command the respect of the academic and user communities across the domain of biological sciences through their personal achievements in research and their standing in the field. They will also need to demonstrate the ability to provide sound management and strong leadership of a substantial and complex body, with efficiency and probity. These abilities are to be combined with excellent communication skills required to represent the Council and foster links with its numerous and diverse stakeholders across Government, academia, learned societies, industry/business as well as the public at large, both in the UK and internationally.

A salary will be available commensurate with the level of seniority and responsibility of the post. The appointment will be full time (there may be some flexibility on this for the right candidate) and based in the BBSRC's offices in Swindon, although considerable travel within the UK will be required. The post is offered for a fixed term, generally for four years, with the possibility of a renewal.

In making an appointment the Secretary of State will consider advice from an Appointments Panel. The Secretary of State is committed to the principle of public appointments on merit through an open and transparent process and to providing equal opportunities for all, irrespective of race, age, disability, gender, marital status, religion, sexual orientation, transgender and working patterns.

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