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The Embassy of France in India is looking for an In Charge: Deputy of the Attaché – Central Southern Region.

Location:	Consulate General of France in Bangalore 21 Palace Road, Vasanth Nagar, 560052 Bangalore
Type:	Full time – Contractual
Starting date:	01/03/2025

General context

The French Institute in India (IFI) is a service of the French Embassy in India, headed by the Counsellor for Education, Science and Culture based in Delhi, whose mission is to promote cultural, linguistic, educational, academic and scientific exchanges and partnerships between France and India (https://www.ifindia.in/). Within IFI, the section for Academic, Scientific and Technological Cooperation (which stands for CUST: "Coopération Universitaire, Scientifique et Technologique") facilitates the cooperation between Indian and French institutions by strengthening existing collaborations and developing new links.

CUST sector is set by regions, with 2 dedicated Attachés in the North, 1 in the West operating in Mumbai,1 in the South Center located in Bangalore and covering the 3 States (AP, TS, KA) of India, and 1 in the tipping South of India.

The In Charge: Deputy of the Attaché, based in Bangalore, reports directly to the Attaché for academic and scientific cooperation of the region, coordinates and develops under his/her supervision the Indo-French Scientific collaborations in this area.

He/She should have a good knowledge of the Indian landscape of science and technology and innovation, particularly in South India, and be able to develop a strong network with public sector researchers, administrators as well as with R&D companies.

He/She will assist the Attaché for academic and scientific cooperation and overview various projects. He/She will have to travel sporadically for work trips, mostly in the 3 above mentioned States.

Though the main reporting line is with the local Attaché, with the Attaché coordinating CUST, with the Counsellor or her/his Deputy, any operation from the CUST sector in that zone must be designed, as much as possible, having in mind the Consul general actions and plans, as the In Charge: Deputy of the Attaché is part of the same team, which is the French Embassy in India.

The candidate should hold a PhD in Science or Engineering or at least a master's degree in this field plus a relevant experience as intern in a research lab. He/She should have at least 3 years of professional experience. We are looking for a candidate who brings energy, high motivation, and a can-do attitude to this position.

Tasks/missions

- Contribute to the on-going development of the collaborative network between French partners and the Indian research actors mainly located in the states of Karnataka, Telangana and Andhra Pradesh.
- Ensure a follow-up of academic partnerships in collaboration with the representatives of Campus France
- Maintain an inventory of all scientific activities carried out in cooperation between Indian and French partners in the above-mentioned geographical areas.
- Help identifying and organising events and activities that will lead to a greater awareness of the Indian community about the French scientific context and the potential opportunities of cooperation.
- Contribute to reports, notes and analyses on the science and innovation landscape in India and France, as well as minutes of meetings and workshop reports.

- Help organising visits/conferences/workshops/lectures of French scientists in India; provide effective communication with internal and external contacts including service providers and venues for logistics and timely execution of the event.
- Maintain the different data bases of the section for CUST.
- Work on external communication of the section for CUST: contribution to the management of the websites, elaboration of newsletters, updating of social media, etc.
- Represent the Attaché for academic and scientific cooperation and more widely CUST, when needed.
- Coordinate with the visa services, under the authority of the Consul general, to answer visa related queries of Indian researchers.

Candidate profile & skills:

- Hold a PhD or a master's degree in science or engineering with a research lab experience.
- Knowledge and professional experience with the Indian scientific context and community.
- Fluent in English (oral & written).
- Knowledge of French would be an added value.
- Good command of computer tools (Office tools, website tools, social media tools).
- Interest in Indo-French scientific networking and cooperation.
- High level of organizational and project management skills and ability to plan and deliver with attention to details
- Good communication skills, also for public speaking, and management of external relationships.
- Accurate, conscientious and result oriented.
- Dynamic, flexible in his/her approach, able to multi-task and to work under time pressure.
- Take initiatives & be a team-player.

Non mandatory skills/experience, which would add value to the application:

- Has studied in France.
- Has experience in the higher education sector.
- Knowledge of the landscape of Research & Innovation in France and Europe.

To apply, please fill the online form at:

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before the 31st of January 2025 at midnight, and gently provide:

- a CV.
- a cover letter (max 1 page) stating out candidate motivation and suitability for the position.
- The name and contact details of two referees.

Please note:

Applicants who do not have the required qualifications and competences should kindly abstain from applying, as their applications will not be considered.

Only shortlisted candidates will be contacted for an interview.