



President and Chief Executive Officer - Springboard Atlantic Inc.

Springboard Atlantic Inc. is an independently incorporated not for profit corporation created in 2005 to stimulate and promote economic growth and competitiveness in Atlantic Canada through collaborative research and innovation. Springboard's strategically positioned resources in Atlantic Canadian universities and colleges lead the transfer of knowledge and technology into the private sector, to connect the vast potential of intellectual property and expertise in the region's academic institutions with real-world business needs and marketable opportunities.

Springboard's network is comprised of a small central office team of 5 and 19 Atlantic Canadian universities and community colleges. Leveraging their respective affiliations and expertise, Springboard works with network members to connect publicly funded research with industry experts through a range of programs and to support the membership in their mandate. With core support from its members, and from the Government of Canada (through the Atlantic Canada Opportunities Agency), Springboard is building economic advantages for the Atlantic region every day.

Springboard is seeking an energetic and motivated individual with demonstrated leadership and management skills to build upon the significant accomplishments of the corporation to date, and to effectively lead the network through the next stage of strategic growth and regional impact.

The President and CEO will combine learning agility, effective listening, and consensus forming skills with their natural ability to build and foster constructive relationships within complex landscapes, to promote and grow Springboard's mandate and value to all stakeholders. The leadership skills for this position are diverse as the successful candidate will lead the small central office team and be responsible for the strategic direction of the broader network.

Reporting to the Springboard Atlantic Board of Directors, the President and CEO will provide proactive leadership and direction for the identification, development and management of effective and strategic collaborative innovation partnerships. The President and CEO will facilitate the creation of collaborative opportunities both within the Springboard Network as well as with external stakeholders, and will promote a clear understanding and broad awareness of Springboard's mandate and services. The position will require financial management and the negotiation of future funding and financial agreements for the organization with existing and potential partners.

The successful candidate brings 7-10 years of strong leadership experience coupled with a successful business or academic career, excellent managerial performance, and outstanding interpersonal skills. The ideal candidate holds an advanced degree in a relevant discipline, such as business, engineering or science, or an acceptable combination of education, training, and experience and possesses full bilingual competency.

To apply for this outstanding leadership opportunity, please submit your resume to Kathy Lynch (klynch@springboardatlantic.ca). All applications will be received in the strictest of confidences and the consideration of candidates will commence on October 10, 2017.