



## VACANCY NOTICE PUTS/11-24

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### The ICGEB invites applications for the post of Group Leader, Anti-microbial resistance

- POST TITLE:** Group Leader, Anti-Microbial Resistance
- DUTY STATION:** Trieste, Italy
- DATE REQUIRED:** 1<sup>st</sup> September 2025
- TYPE OF CONTRACT:** Fixed-term appointment
- DURATION:** An initial period of one year with further extensions of four years, subject to satisfactory performance.
- LEVEL:** P1-P3 (UN Scale) depending upon experience and seniority
- DUTIES:** Under the guidance and supervision of the Director-General and the Scientific Coordinator, the Group Leader will provide strategic leadership and funding and coordinate research activities in the Trieste Headquarters and will be responsible for:
- Initiate and establish in-field collaborations and networks with scientists in the ICGEB Member Countries that work on Anti-Microbial Resistance (AMR) or wish to start doing so.
  - Provide strategic leadership in developing and implementing strategies on AMR for the ICGEB Member Countries that may require it, with the objective of achieving results that impact AMR in the region.
  - Develop and secure funding for a vigorous, externally funded research program on AMR through competitive grant applications, resource mobilization from donors, provision of expert technical assistance to the country, policy development, enhancement of research capabilities in Member Countries, etc.

- Support development of regional AMR policies, strategies, programs and activities eventually in collaboration with UN technical clusters ie. WHO, in the context of the UN Sustainable Development Goals and European networks.
- Collaborate with the other ICGEB Group Leaders in the overall scientific organization and in the implementation of the research programs of the ICGEB.
- Supervise, mentor and manage the research activities of the junior staff, fellows and technicians in the AMR group;
- Take part in ICGEB's training and capacity-building activities;
- Perform other work-related duties, as may be required.

**QUALIFICATIONS:**

PhD in Biology, Chemistry, Biotechnology or related fields. Relevant professional experience at the international level in public health management of antimicrobial resistance or related fields. Previous experience in infectious/communicable diseases or Biological Safety Levels 3 (BSL3) facilities would be advantageous.

**COMPETENCIES:**

The successful candidate will develop a competitive research program on question(s) of molecular biology and/or biotechnology in antimicrobial resistance. The candidate will have a proven ability in working and collaborating at international level and a proven track record in attracting competitive research grant funding. Previous experience in functional mechanistic studies with cell or rodent model strains and use and previous experience of working in a BSL3 facility will be desirable. The candidate will also be expected to be skilled in science communication and technical writing.

**OFFER:**

ICGEB will provide a startup equipped laboratory, a staff research assistant, funds for laboratory consumables, access to ICGEB facilities (including a new BSL3 facility), pre-doctoral and postdoctoral fellowships as well as supporting collaborations with its other research groups and ICGEB global community

**LANGUAGES:**

Fluency in English. Knowledge of Italian and other languages will be an asset

**APPLICATION DEADLINE:** 30th November 2024

**HOW TO APPLY:**

Applicants must complete an on-line application by creating an account on the ICGEB Service Gateway accessible [HERE](#) by clicking "Sign Up" and submitting a full curriculum vitae and a statement of proposed research (maximum five pages), outlining the motivation for applying and the vision for their research in the ICGEB community and Member States to ICGEB. Applicants who already have an ISG account should click "Login" and select "Work with us - Apply for a job position".

If you experience problems in registering or logging in to your ISG account, please contact [support@icgeb.org](mailto:support@icgeb.org).

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