



Helsinki is developing as an open and interactive city and a good place to live and run a business

The Helsinki City Executive Office is a central administration department and a common planning, preparatory and executive organ for the City Council, the City Board and the City Management. We work at the cutting edge of Finnish urban development.

We are looking for a

Chief Design Officer (CDO)

who is a proven professional and strategic expert of service design.

We are seeking a determined and insightful doer, who has experience of leadership in a broad operational environment, proof of user oriented development processes and an understanding of the public sector.

The position requires excellent interaction and negotiation skills as well as an ability to establish co-operation between internal and external stakeholder groups. The person to be chosen is expected to show a diverse design knowledge as well as strong knowledge of international operations and networking and practical experience of change management.

The Chief Design Officer works in close co-operation with the leadership of the City Executive Office. The position is new and initially on a fixed term until the end of 2018.

Helsinki has initiated the three-year Helsinki Lab project to strengthen the user orientation and the experimental culture. The Chief Design Officer is in charge of the project and the supervisor of the Helsinki Lab experts.

Strengthening Helsinki's profile as an international design city and the development of the international design network is emphasised in the position.

The position of Chief Design Officer starts according to contract, at the latest on 1 September 2016. Working languages are Finnish and English.

Applications should be submitted electronically through the City recruitment system at www.helsinkirekry.fi, job number 47-23-16. The application deadline is Tuesday 24 May 2016 at 04:00 PM. The application documents are public and they will not be returned.

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