International School of Belgrade Belgrade, Serbia

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Seeks: Leader of Learning for Science **Effective:** Summer 2023

The International School of Belgrade seeks to appoint an energetic, passionate and experienced Leader of Learning for Science. The successful person will be forward thinking, committed to being truly learning focused, passionate about the IB and dedicated to inquiry-based, concept-driven constructivist education.

THE SCHOOL

The International School of Belgrade (ISB) is an independent, non-profit, co-educational day school serving the needs of the Belgrade expatriate community. The school was founded in 1948; today, ISB's two campuses, within only a few minutes walking distance of each other, are located in Belgrade's beautiful suburb of Senjak. Enrollment is 460 representing over 50 nationalities. Growth is planned over the coming years as we plan towards our new purpose-built campus.

ISB is an IB World School authorized to offer the PYP, MYP and DP. Our international faculty is highly experienced and qualified and we put a great emphasis on their continual learning and development. co-curricular activities are offered at all levels, and as a fully involved member of CEESA, a wide range of athletics and activities are offered throughout the region for middle and high school students.

This is an exciting time to be part of our team. We are adopting a truly 'learning focused' approach to everything we do. We were the global pilot school for the new combined protocols for the IB 2020 standards and NEASC ACE Learning Principles and received a very positive report earlier this year. As part of this ongoing process, we are committed to becoming a more Diverse, Equitable and Inclusive community.

This would be an ideal position for a Science educator, who truly believes in an inquiry-driven, play based approach to learning and who is passionate about working in a leading independent, international school.

School facilities include a purpose-built facility on the Secondary School campus that houses science labs, classrooms and a gymnasium. Classrooms are well equipped and the school is generously resourced. Beautiful, shady trees and gardens provide an attractive setting for the school's renovated villas and modern buildings.

The School is governed by a very supportive Board of Trustees.

Detailed information about the school and its policies can be found on our website: www.isb.rs

ISB MISSION STATEMENT

ISB is a collaborative learning community that inspires, equips and empowers its students to succeed and contribute positively to society.

ISB CORE VALUES

The Mission and everyday interactions at ISB are firmly grounded in, and supported by, the ISB Core Values of: Respect, Responsibility, Empathy, and Integrity. In addition, we are committed to becoming a truly Diverse, Equitable and Inclusive community of learners.

THE POSITION

The Leader of Learning for Science is responsible to the Secondary Principal for leading the learning in our Science programs. Resilient, organized and entrepreneurial, you will lead all aspects of the day to day running of the department. You will provide effective leadership and advice to staff, students and parents while inspiring an atmosphere of energy, excitement and achievement within the department. As Leader of Learning for Science, you will lead colleagues to make full use of our facilities by being committed to a modern, constructivist, inquiry-based and personalized approach to learning that inspires and engages students. In line with this, we would expect you to have experience with the IB and be able to speak passionately about the impact on student engagement and learning. You will have a growth mindset, be able to deal with ambiguity and be motivated by participating fully in all aspects of school life.

The Leader of Learning for Science is responsible for the quality of learning in Science

More, specifically, the Leader of Learning is expected to:

- Model outstanding practice
- Lead the continual development of the Science in line with the MYP and DP programmes.
- Foster an environment where students and staff take ownership of their own learning.
- Purposefully create a collaborative learning culture throughout the Science team.
- Foster a positive community culture that supports students' learning
- Communicate effectively with students, faculty, parents, colleagues, and the broader community.
- Ensure that all of the department's resources are utilized effectively to have the biggest impact on learning.
- Lead your own learning and professional growth as a committed life-long learner.

- Be a passionate supporter of the holistic development of students through co-curricular learning.
- Perform such other duties and responsibilities as delegated by the School Director.

PREFERRED QUALIFICATIONS

The ideal candidate will be expected to meet most, if not all, of the following criteria:

- Learning focused philosophy based around personalized learning.
- A recognised teaching qualification
- Sound knowledge of, and experience in the IB MYP and DP as well as a thorough understanding of other approaches to Science.
- Excellent interpersonal and communication skills; ability to work within a team; positive attitude; growth mindset; and a sense of humor
- Strong background in technology for learning

COMPENSATION & BENEFITS

The package for the position is competitive and commensurate with the responsibilities of this position, as well as the required experience and qualifications. Benefits include:

- Furnished housing
- Paid utilities
- Round-trip air fare for administrator and dependents
- Shipping allowance
- Free tuition at ISB for two school-age direct dependents
- Health plan
- Life and disability insurance coverage
- Pension plan, bereavement leave, personal and sick leave
- Two-year contract, renewable

APPLICATION PROCEDURE

Applications for all open positions will be reviewed and processed as they are received. As such there is no fixed closing date, other than when we have found the right candidate. Letters of interest should be addressed to Andrew Derry at isb@isb.rs

Interviews will be conducted virtually and face to face at various recruitment fairs, including GRC Dubai and Search Associates London.

We are committed to the safety and well-being of our children. Any offer of employment will be conditional on successful global background checks that will include criminal checks as well as safeguarding checks with previous employers.

Additional information about the International School of Belgrade can be found on the school's website at www.isb.rs.