



Together we can make a difference to lowering the barriers to innovation in life sciences and healthcare R&D through pre-competitive collaboration.

The Pistoia Alliance is a member-driven, non-profit, life sciences industry group dedicated to advancing innovation in life science R&D through pre-competitive collaboration. Its membership is drawn from biopharma, technology companies & software suppliers, publishers, consulting practices, academics, and research institutes. The Pistoia Alliance operates as a virtual organization, advancing its mission primarily through member-driven communities and projects, while also hosting a variety of activities including webinars, conferences, innovation challenges, hackathons, and networking events.

Seeking three (3) Part-time Consultants for Strategic Theme Project Portfolio Lead viz:

- **The empowered patient**
- **Lowering barriers to R&D**
- **Emerging Sciences and Tech**

To apply, please submit your resume/CV via email to Jobs@PistoiaAlliance.org.

Job Type

Part-time, contractor, remote.

The Role

The Pistoia Alliance is seeking 3 new part-time experienced consultants to help to support their project portfolio within three key strategic themes.

These are new roles within the Pistoia Alliance and provide an ideal opportunity for entrepreneurial, self-starting, self-motivated, domain-aware, experienced individuals to make a real difference to the engagement of member groups and external partners. They will be responsible for shaping and sharing the vision for their individual strategic workstreams and utilising incubation funding to provide proofs of concept.

Once proof of concept is delivered the Strategic Theme Project Portfolio (STPP) Leads will be responsible for determining the next steps, e.g., a member-funded projects or on-going, member-funded expert group.

This is a challenging role that brings synthesis or exploration, analysis and strategic development and an understanding of life science and its application. Not many jobs allow for this kind of professional variance or fusion.

Key Responsibilities

- Work constructively and collaboratively with our members, Pistoia Alliance contractors and the wider Life science and Biopharma community to help develop project strategy including market intelligence.
- Develop new and existing projects to deliver tangible benefits to the member community.
- Responsible for the full project lifecycle including idea development, incubation funding, project inception and delivery.
- Connecting with industry partners to understand the strategic directions of the industry and identify trends where the Pistoia Alliance can add value with project delivery.
- Report on project status and funding utilising the Pistoia Alliance's CRM and provide executive summaries as required.
- Hosting round-table discussions to gather and foster interest in incubation ideas.
- RFP drafting, development, screening, and delivery.
- Project management of external vendors delivering proof of concept ideas.

Essential Requirements

- A minimum of 10-years' experience of working within Pharma or Biotech industry
- Excellent cross-functional working skills with other departments to achieve a common objective and break down barriers that stand in the way of the annual plan delivery.
- Self-starting and self-motivated and driven to achieve continuous improvement.
- Ability to influence at all levels within the organisation.
- Excellent written and verbal communication skills
- Experience of portfolio management role covering multiple projects or programmes across a broad digital delivery portfolio.
- Commercial acumen,
- Entrepreneurial flair
- Good inter-personal skills

Strategic Themes

1. Empowered Patient

Enable the voice of the patient to be a pervasive influence in co-designing research and services.

Example Topics:

- Patient-centric Clinical Trial Design
- Digital Health
- Pharmacovigilance
- Decentralised Clinical Trials
- Informed Consent process optimisation

2. Lowering the barriers to R&D

Drive meaningful transformation in R&D by enhancing robustness and reducing the risk, and the expense of innovation.

Example Topics:

- Lab of the Future
- Miniaturization e.g., “Lab-on-a-chip”
- AI-enabled workflow
- Translation Medicine

3. Emerging Science and Technology

Introduce and drive practical application of impactful advances in science and technology with special emphasis on new research modalities.

Example Topics:

- Quantum Computing
- AI/ML NLP
- Microbiome
- Liquid Biopsy
- Supply Chain & Logistics
- 3D Printing
- Synthetic Patient Data and RCT placebo arms