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Posting for the Position of Executive Director at the Centre for the Study of Living Standards

THE CENTRE FOR THE STUDY OF LIVING STANDARDS (CSLS) is a national, independent, not-for-profit research organization which began operations in August 1995. Its objectives are twofold. First, to contribute to a better understanding of trends and determinants of productivity, living standards, and economic well-being in Canada through research. Second, to contribute to public debate by developing and advocating specific policies to improve the standard of living of Canadians.

The activities of the CSLS are motivated by the following general principles:

- 1) in the long run, productivity growth is the key to improved living standards;
- 2) in the short to medium term, elimination of any output gap is the most effective way to raise living standards;
- 3) the equitable sharing of productivity gains among all groups in society is an essential element of the economic growth process;
- 4) increased cooperation among the various groups which make up our society can contribute significantly to better living standards; and
- 5) reliable data are crucial to the monitoring and analysis of living standards and to the development of effective policies to increase living standards.

A BOARD OF DIRECTORS composed of well-known economists and persons with experience in economic policy making at a senior level directs the activities of the CSLS.

The peer-reviewed, open access journal *International Productivity Monitor* available at <https://www.csls.ca/ipm.asp> is the flagship publication of the CSLS.

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Job Description

Reporting to a Board of Directors, the Executive Director will be responsible for all aspects of the CSLS operations, including research activities, managerial functions. and the financial sustainability of the organization. Specific tasks include:

- development and delivery of research projects in response to requests from funders as well as in-house projects;
- identification and follow-up on potential funding opportunities;
- editing and producing the CSLS flagship publication the *International Productivity Monitor* twice a year;
- hiring and supervision of CSLS staff, primarily economists;
- oversight of CSLS office procedures and operations;
- organization of CSLS events and conferences, including sessions at the annual meeting of the Canadian Economics Association;

Essential Job Requirements

- Graduate degree in economics, preferably PhD.
- Intrinsic interest in as well as experience in the areas of CSLS research, namely productivity, living standards, labour markets, economic well-being and Indigenous economic issues.
- Experience initiating, obtaining funding for, and directing economic research projects.
- Managerial experience running an organization.

- Extensive networks across different types of organizations.

Knowledge of the federal government, provincial governments and international organizations as well as Canada's two official languages are assets for the position.

Compensation

The compensation for the position comprises salary and bonus. The salary level is competitive and comparable to that received by senior officials in government, academia and the not-for-profit sector.

Application Process

Interested parties are asked to email a covering letter and CV to the chair of the search committee at info@csls.ca. Interested candidates are encouraged to apply as soon as possible. The posting will remain open until the position is filled.