

Lead & Catalyst 80% - 100% | Sustainable Living Lab Initiative

If you have a passion for collaborative innovation, sustainable development, and co-creating systemic impact, this is a unique opportunity to shape and lead a pioneering initiative from the start!

About Impact Hub Geneva & Lausanne

We believe there is no shortage of good ideas to tackle the social and environmental challenges of our times and to create a sustainable world. But there is a lack of support structures to make them happen and grow. To respond to this need, we have created the Impact Hub Geneva and will soon open the Impact Hub Lausanne.

Based in the very heart of each cities, Impact Hub Geneva and Lausanne are 'home' for entrepreneurs, innovators, intrapreneurs, organisations, and everyone who is committed to turning ideas into action and moving from intention to impact. We offer access to workspace, to inspiring learning events, innovation & incubation programs and to a worldwide community of changemakers through our global Impact Hub network (www.impacthub.net).

The Sustainable Living Lab

"**The Sustainable Living Lab**" is an Impact Hub Geneva & Lausanne initiative to catalyze collaborative innovation towards Sustainable Living solutions in the region and contribute to the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) at large. Building on the Social Labs approach, the initiative seeks to create solutions that bring together a diversity of stakeholders, a regional showcase on how a region can significantly contribute to and foster Sustainable Living through collaboration and entrepreneurship. These solutions aim for systemic impact. The objective is to create a multi-stakeholder platform that catalyzes open collaboration between business, government, and the civic sector and support concrete initiatives to solve the most important challenges of our time.

Given the key stakeholders based in the region, we specifically see potential in empowering innovation and entrepreneurship for sustainable living towards the achievement of 3 core themes:

- **Future of food & Responsible consumption;** (Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) #12 and Action Area 1 of the Swiss Sustainable Strategy 2016 - 2019)
- **Health & Wellbeing;** (SDG #3 and Action Area 9 of the Swiss Sustainable Strategy 2016 - 2019)
- **Mobility & Sustainable communities;** (SDG #11 and Action Area 2 of the Swiss Sustainable Strategy 2016 - 2019)

What we are looking for

We are looking for a dynamic person who will drive and develop the initiative further. Your main role will be to:

- Fully develop the Social Labs approach, shape it and manage it for the Sustainable Living Lab
- Establish long term partnerships with relevant stakeholders, expand network and manage relationship
- Engage the diverse actors in the joint development and implementation of concrete solutions for sustainable living
- Methodologies and technology for sustainable innovation, Incubation and acceleration modules to turn ideas into successful ventures

Expected activities include:

- Conceptualization and design of a cross-sectoral platform engaging community (experts, key players and civils society)
- Building a community of experts and strong ties with key players in the region through regular workshops and inspiring events around a specific themes
- Launch of Sustainable Living Challenge among aspiring intrapreneurs and entrepreneurs

Qualifications and Skills

- A strong entrepreneurial spirit and motivation to drive an initiative from its conceptual phase
- Excellent relationship, communication, and community building skills
- Experience in running participatory formats for collaborative innovation and working with a diversity of stakeholders from business, government and the civic sector
- Experience in working in the sustainability and topics mentioned
- At least two years of project management and/or business development experience
- Outstanding verbal and written language skills in French AND English
- Someone from the region, well rooted with a good network is a plus
- Preferred: one person with start-up experience

Key information

- **Contract term:** 80%-100%
- **Duration:** Undetermined contract type *CDI*
- **Salary:** CHF 4'000/month
(We're recruiting long-term, - you'll benefit equally from the scaling of our business)
- **Working permit required**
- **location:** Geneva / Lausanne
- **Starting date:** Urgent - preferably May

Please send your CV to Amanda Byrde (Amanda.byrde@impacthub.net) and your answers (feel free to send us a video message) to the following questions 1) Why are you interested in the Sustainable Living Lab Lead position specifically? What makes you a great fit for the role? (max 200 words) 2) Why Impact Hub Geneva & Lausanne? (max 200 words).

We will accept applications until May 15, 2017. The interviews will take place on May 22/23/24. Please indicate your availabilities and when you could start working with us! Note that we plan a co-creation event on Foodwaste first week of June to kick off the initiative together.

Do you have questions? - Do hesitate to call us +41 78 748 55 74.