

Head of Digital Innovation

Location: Beijing

Starting date: ASAP

Mission:

- Support the company by testing and exploiting new digital technologies
- Accelerate company's use of digital by tapping into world-class digital innovation in China

Responsibility:

- Lead the development and delivery of a portfolio of digital innovation projects that cover a range of technology readiness levels:
 - Highly technical research into technical fields, eg. quantum computing
 - Use of complex maturing technologies to respond to specific business use cases, eg. artificial intelligence and blockchain,
 - Development of POCs that test mature Chinese digital innovations that could be relevant in other markets, eg miniprogrammes, mobile payments
 - Development of market-ready products and services for China and European markets
- Lead a small team of data scientists, software developers and innovators, plus short-term interns
- Support company's innovation activities through startup scouting and venture fund investment
- Build and maintain excellent working relationships with internal stakeholders inside the company and with a diverse range of teams across the company, most notably in France, the UK and US.
- Build and maintain excellent relationships with key digital innovations actors in China, including state-owned enterprises, foreign companies, startups and startup accelerators, and venture capital firms.
- Represent the company at public conferences and events
- Act as an ambassador for the company and for Chinese innovation across the company
- Bring innovative ways of working and thinking into the company

Requirements:

- Educated to Masters degree level or above in a scientific field
- Professional working proficiency in English and French
- A deep interest in digital technologies and their applications.
- Extensive experience in identifying how digital technologies can meet business needs
- Extensive experience in the delivery of projects in artificial intelligence, data science, blockchain, virtual reality and augmented reality and smartphone apps

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- Excellent knowledge of the principles of innovation.
- Extensive experience in the delivery of innovation projects using key methodologies such as 'lean startup' and 'design thinking'
- Experience in building teams and mentoring less experienced colleagues
- Knowledge of, and networks within, the energy industry from production to retail
- Knowledge of, and networks within, the tech sector, especially China's tech giants.
- Knowledge of, and networks within, the startup and VC industry.

Capabilities required:

- Dynamic and innovative
- Excellent interpersonal and communication skills. A confident public speaker
- Self-motivated, self-organized and independent;
- Good business development skills to secure funding
- Good autonomy in scientific research work and new business model analysis;
- Capacity in scientific report writing and presentation (deliverable, paper, publication);
- Capacity in leading a R&D project and its follow-up from technical issues to project management;
- Exemplifies digital working
- Knowledge on the company and its main activities with a focus on R&D activities in digital
- Good network across the company

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