# Economic consultant, CSIRO Futures

Role summary for potential applicants

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| Advertised Job Title**:** | Economic Consultant - CSIRO Futures |
| Reference Number**:** | 56562 |
| Classification**:** | CSOF4 |
| Salary Range: | AU$ 80k to AU$ 91k per annum, plus up to 15.4% superannuation |
| Location**:** | Parkville (Melbourne) Victoria |
| Tenure: | Specified Term of 2 years |
| Relocation assistance**:** | Will be provided to the successful candidate if required. |
| Applications are open to: | Australian Citizens Only  Australian/NZ Citizens and Australian Permanent Residents Only   * All Candidates * *For Specified Term positions, we will accept applications from Temporary Residents with working rights for the length of the term, who do not require sponsorship.* |
| Functional Area**:** | Administrative Services |
| Reports to the: | Director, CSIRO Futures |
| Number of Direct Reports: | 0 |

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| **Role Overview:** |
| **Background: *Make a difference. Innovation for Australia’s future.***  The Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation (CSIRO) is one of the world’s leading applied R&D organisations, with more than 5000 talented people working out of 55 centres in Australia and internationally.  ‘CSIRO Futures’ is CSIRO’s strategic advisory arm and a trusted advisor to external private and public sector entities. We sit at the interface between science and industry, identifying key trends, emerging technologies and issues affecting business. We work with teams across all of CSIRO’s research areas to help clients translate science into strategy and plan for an uncertain future. Our expertise extends across Oil & Gas, Mining, Food & Agribusiness, Health and Manufacturing, where we help senior decision makers develop evidence-based strategies to address major opportunities and challenges across the supply chain.  **The position**  The Economic Consultant will analyse the impact of long term economic trends to help inform decision making for senior industry and government clients. Specifically, this will involve quantifying (in rough order of magnitude terms) the economic impact or market size of emerging and existing technologies to help our clients with strategy and investment decisions.  The position requires strong economic analysis and business strategy skills along with high-level communication and report writing abilities. This is a team-oriented role necessitating an enthusiastic and motivated approach. To effectively communicate economic trends and insights to a senior executive-level audience, strong interpersonal and stakeholder management skills are essential. |

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| **Duties and Key Result Areas:** |
| * Undertake economic impact analysis of long term trends and emerging technologies on the economy and key markets. * Communicate rigorous economic analyses to senior decision makers and peers (within and outside the organisation), in the form of detailed and accurate information/reports based on quantitative and qualitative evidence. * Assist with the creation of professional-quality client-facing project deliverables including presentations, written reports and other communications tools. * Actively develop an understanding of CSIRO and its key science domains to determine the most appropriate information sources and guide pertinent analysis and reporting. * Contribute to the growth and effective functioning of the Futures team. * Adhere to the spirit and practice of CSIRO’s Values, Health, Safety and Environment plans and policies, Diversity initiatives and Zero Harm goals. * Any other duties within the scope of this position that may arise from time-to-time, for which the incumbent holds the skills and abilities to perform. |

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| **Selection Criteria:** |
| *Under CSIRO policy only those who meet all essential criteria can be appointed*  ***Pre-Requisites:***   1. **Education / Qualifications:** An honours degree in Economics or another relevant discipline. 2. **Commercial experience:** Sound experience providing external customer facing services in a commercial management or strategy consulting firm. 3. **Behaviours:** A history of professional and respectful behaviours and attitudes in a collaborative environment.   ***Essential Criteria:***   1. Experience conducting economic analysis using ambiguous and complex quantitative and qualitative data to understand the impact of trends (such as emerging science and technology developments) on markets and key Australian economic indicators. 2. Demonstrated ability in applying economic analysis to support business strategy and investment decision making. 3. Excellent oral communication skills and experience generating professional quality client-facing written reports and deliverables that clearly communicate economic analysis and key insights to a senior executive-level audience. This includes the ability to present a clear narrative to help communicate challenging or contentious ideas to fellow team members and customers. 4. Strong interpersonal skills with a demonstrated ability to identify and build positive relationships with key client stakeholders, including senior management.   **Desirable Criteria:**   1. Strong subject matter expertise and prior experience delivering economic analysis in at least one of the following areas: Education, innovation and regulatory policy, macroeconomic analysis, labour market analysis, income distribution, investment attraction, regulatory environment and the future of work. 2. Prior experience with foresight or scenario analysis. 3. Prior experience or interest in science and technology.   **As Australia’s Innovation Catalyst, CSIRO has strategic actions underpinned by behaviours aligned to**:   * Excellent science * Inclusion, trust & respect * Health, safety & environment * Delivery on commitments.   *In your application and at interview you will need to demonstrate alignment with these behaviours.* |

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| **Other Information:** |
| **How to Apply**  Please apply for this position online at <https://jobs.csiro.au/> and enter requisition number **56562**. Internal applicants please apply via ‘Jobs Central’ in SAP (click ‘Recruitment’).  Please load your CV and a brief cover letter outlining your interest in the role and your motivations for applying (Maximum 2MB). At the end of the online application process, you will also be required to respond to some screening questions. Where text responses are required, to avoid being timed out of the system we recommend that you prepare your responses offline and paste them into the appropriate spot prior to submitting your application.  If you experience difficulties applying online call 1300 984 220 for assistance. Outside Australian business hours please email: [csiro-careers@csiro.au](mailto:csiro-careers@csiro.au).  **Referees**: If you do not already have the names and contact details of two previous supervisors or academic/ professional referees included in your resume/CV please add these before uploading your CV.  **Contact:** If after reading the selection documentation you require further information please contact:  **Mr Vivek Srinivasan**via email: [Vivek.Srinivasan@csiro.au](mailto:Vivek.Srinivasan@csiro.au) or phone: **03 9545 8057**  Please do not email your application directly to Mr Srinivasan. Applications received via this method will not be considered.  **About CSIRO**  Australia is founding its future on science and innovation. Its national science agency, the Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation (CSIRO) is a powerhouse of ideas, technologies and skills for building prosperity, growth, health and sustainability. We serve governments, industries, business and communities across the nation.  We work on delivering science, technology and innovation to solve big challenges in areas like Mineral Resources, Manufacturing, Agriculture, Energy, Food and Nutrition, Biosecurity, Land and Water, Oceans and Atmosphere and Digital Productivity. Our customers and partners include over 1,600 Australian companies, more than 350 multinationals, and we work in over 80 countries.  Find out more! [www.csiro.au](http://www.csiro.au). |