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Managing Director, Research Data Alliance/US

Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute is seeking candidates to fill the opening for **Managing Director for the Research Data Alliance/United States (RDA/US)**. The Research Data Alliance is an international organization whose aim is to build the social, organizational and technical infrastructure to reduce barriers to data sharing and exchange, and accelerate the development of coordinated global data infrastructure. The Research Data Alliance / US represents U.S. participants in the Research Data Alliance.

The RDA/US Managing Director position reports to Professor Francine Berman, Chair of RDA/US and an international leader in the digital data community. Dr. Berman is a Fellow of the ACM and the IEEE, as well as the inaugural recipient of the ACM/IEEE-CS Ken Kennedy Award for “influential leadership in the design, development, and deployment of national-scale cyberinfrastructure.”

The **Managing Director** serves as executive manager for RDA/US. The Managing Director will also be part of the RDA/US Steering Committee, and assists the U.S. Chair of the RDA. In addition, the Managing Director for RDA/US serves as a member of the RDA Secretariat. As a member of the RDA Secretariat, the RDA/US Managing Director will work as part of an international team. The Managing Director will also contribute to the operational and management team of the Center for a Digital Society (CDS), affiliated with Rensselaer’s Institute for Data Exploration and Applications (IDEA).

Managing Director candidates must have, at minimum, a bachelor’s degree in science, technology, engineering, mathematics, computer science, or information science. Any discipline with an analytical focus will be considered. The successful candidate must also have five (5) or more years of relevant, progressively responsible experience in a project management capacity. Relevant experience must include: accountability for project goals and objectives; responsibility for guiding a team’s efforts; responsibility for the early identification and resolution of potential roadblocks; responsibility for the coordination of project, research, and/or administrative activities; facilitation of communication among internal and external constituents; and experience in the navigation of complex political environments. Demonstrated abilities to work with the data community and in a multi-cultural setting are also preferred, as the RDA/US Operations Director will work closely with international RDA colleagues and members. Candidates with advanced degrees are highly desired, as are candidates who have experience with cross-sector partnerships and strong project management skills. This is a fixed term, five (5) year, externally funded position.

Established in 1824, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute is the oldest technological institute in the United States. Consistently ranked among the top 50 National Universities in the United States, Rensselaer is located in Troy, N.Y. in the heart of New York State’s Capital Region. To learn more about Rensselaer, its programs, history, and the benefits of joining the Rensselaer community, please visit <http://www.rpi.edu>

To be considered for this opening, please visit <https://rpijobs.rpi.edu>, job number 20130262, and complete an on-line job application. The on-line application process includes attaching a Cover Letter and Resume/CV. For additional information about the Research Data Alliance, please visit <http://rd-alliance.org/>.

We welcome candidates who will bring diverse intellectual, geographical, gender and ethnic perspectives to Rensselaer’s work and campus communities.

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