

Human Resource Consultants

# VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

Build The Ark Limited-Human Resource Consultants seek suitable applicants for the position of **BUSINESS CONSULTANT – EMERGING TECHNOLOGIES** for its client - a leading provider of IT-based Technology solutions. The duty station for this position is Nairobi but the successful candidate is expected to travel widely.

## ROLE OBJECTIVE

The role holder is responsible for developing business in the Emerging Technologies space and championing Enterprise Networks by addressing upcoming opportunities for both short-term and long-term business growth objectives.

# DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

- Take a leadership role as technical Business development specialist in driving Emerging Technologies sales for the assigned operation/country.
- Work closely with assigned principle contacts (like Cisco Systems), develop and establish an ecosystem of partners to propose complete solution to the market place
- Devise strategy based on market trends and develop appropriate business plans
- Create awareness for the vertical specific solutions and establish relationships at executive corporate levels and Senior Government levels
- Build and execute innovative joint business plans with sales management for the assigned operations
   Understand, articulate and position end-to-end offerings both internally and externally
- Develop and cultivate strong relationships with key decision makers in the market and partner contacts, including ecosystems partners as is needed
- Prepare Concept papers, Return-On-Investment workings, compelling propositions, vertical specific case studies
- Be Self-sufficient during the entire sales cycle of a solution, including both technical and commercial aspects of our offerings
- Prepare Proof of Concepts where required
- Build a strong funnel of opportunities for short-term, medium-term and long-term visibility
- Champion enterprise networks internally and externally

## LEADERSHIP & RELATIONSHIP SKILLS:

- Closely liaise with CISCO Principles and their partners during the entire sales cycle
- Maintains close contact with external customers and advise them on CISCO solutions and strategies that will meet their needs and leverage of the emerging technologies
- Closely interact with the sales teams during the entire sales process by advising on suitable solutions and assist in generation of leads

## JOB SPECIFICATIONS & COMPETENCIES

- Masters' Degree in Business Administration from a recognized university
- Bachelors' Degree in IT/ Computer Science/BBIT
- Demonstrable successful Business development and /or Consultancy track record of at least five (5) years
- Must understand the market, develop deep knowledge and experience on offerings
- Product knowledge, various offerings from key vendors such as Cisco is needed
- Must be proficient in team selling approach, comfortable applying business acumen and financial expertise to identify & qualify selling opportunities
- Strong relationship management skills with a genuine understanding of how to identify, build and manage solid relationships with multiple key decision makers
- Actively engage Principles in gaining major share in the market place, work out complete business plan for business development and execute the same
- Strong leadership, project management, influence, negotiation and decision-making, coupled with sound judgment

- Ability to manage within functional teams and across the organization; multiple, large and complex projects.
- Highly organized with excellent follow-through

# SOFT SKILLS

Communication

- Possess excellent verbal and written communications skills and is confident to deal with a wide variety
  of people and to influence at all levels
- An empathetic communicator who is able to see things from the other person's perspective and who demonstrates effective listening skills
- Excellent presentation and training skills with the ability to deliver a message such that it generates learning and understanding.

#### **Problem Solving**

- Takes ownership of problems through to effective resolution; develops initiatives to resolve underlying issues that go beyond the immediate problem.
- Takes steps to minimize risks.

#### Teamwork / Integrity

- Proactively shares knowledge and experience.
- Values and respects others opinions, treats others fairly, with integrity and encourages participation.
- Fosters a positive work environment and promotes the company brand

#### <u>KPIs</u>

- Achievement of the set annual target
- Annual Planning and implementation of at least one customer awareness event
- Quarterly report on the sales funnel
- Have at least one Point of Contact or trial customer annually
- Quarterly presentation to the internal customers on emerging technologies
- Develop at least two new leads quarterly

A competitive package will be offered to the suitable candidate. Kindly email your <u>CV ONLY</u> to <u>info@buildtheark.co.ke</u> not later than Monday, 7<sup>th</sup> Dec 2015. The subject title on the email should read the jb title only: Business Consultant – Emerging Technologies