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FIXED TERM CONTRACT – 3 YEARS

RESEARCH DIVISION

DIRECTOR

**INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY & COMMERCIALISATION
(PEROMNES GRADE 5)**

REF NO.: RO14/2015

The successful incumbent will undertake the management of Intellectual Property and Commercialisation at the Institution and will be expected to:

1. Provide overall management of the Intellectual Property & Commercialisation (IPC) unit;
2. Provide line management for spin-off company formation and incubation;
3. Ensure that UKZN InQubate delivers high quality project management and company development support to principal investigators;
4. Develop a relationship between UKZN InQubate activities with internal and external stakeholders and partners;
5. Be actively involved in raising funds for commercialisation initiatives.

Minimum requirements:

- Masters degree in Science or Engineering
OR a four-year qualification in Science and Engineering with an appropriate Legal Degree or MBA;
- Five years management experience in a technology and business or a technology and legal setting;
- Three (3) years project management experience.

Advantages:

- An appropriate PhD preferably in Science or Engineering;
- Legal experience in the area of IP management, or experience managing a Technology Transfer Office;
- An interest in University research and its commercialization;
- An ability to engage and interact with senior academics, researchers and external stakeholders.
- Track record of raising funds for commercialisation or successfully commercialised Spin-off Company.

The total remuneration package offered includes benefits.

The closing date for receipt of applications is 18 September 2015.

Applicants are required to complete the relevant application form which is available on the Vacancies page of the University website at www.ukzn.ac.za. Completed forms may be sent to recruitment-jm@ukzn.ac.za. Please state the advert reference number in your subject line.