

The Psychological Society of Ireland: Executive Director **(<https://www.activelink.ie/node/115091>)**



The Psychological Society of Ireland (PSI) is inviting applications from suitably qualified candidates for the position of

Executive Director (ED)

The Organisation

The PSI is a registered charity, responsible for the development, promotion and application of psychology for the public good. The Society is the professional body for psychologists in Ireland with the primary objective of advancing psychology as an applied science. Established in 1970, the PSI has grown to circa 5,000 members, 11 divisions, 16 special interest groups and 10 staff. The PSI maintains a voluntary register of Student, Graduate and Chartered Members while the profession is preparing for statutory regulation by CORU, some of which is scheduled to commence in autumn 2025. The Society currently oversees undergraduate and postgraduate accreditation, and validation for international qualifications in psychology. The Society is governed by the President and Council who are elected by the members at the Annual General Meeting.

The Role

The ED will work closely with the President and Council to oversee the continued development of the PSI as the learned and professional body for psychology in Ireland. The ED will also oversee the operational side of the organisation. The ED will be responsible for providing leadership, developing and implementing the Society's strategic and operational plans, leading on stakeholder engagement and business development and being an effective advocate for the Society and its members.

The Person

We would like to speak with persons that have significant experience of working in senior management positions at operational and strategic levels, involving governance, financial, line management and operational responsibilities. Experience of working in the charity sector and an understanding of the regulatory landscape pertinent for charities (Charities Regulator, Charities Governance Code, etc.). would be advantageous. It is desirable that candidates will have worked across multiple internal and external stakeholders and have had exposure to working with a board of management/directors/trustees. Experience of having worked at a senior level with membership-based and/or psychology-oriented organisations would be particularly helpful. The successful candidate will be energetic, flexible, a strong communicator and committed to advancing the strategic objectives and priorities of the Society and its membership.

Location

The role will be based predominantly in the PSI offices in Dublin. The role may require site visits to higher education institutions (HEIs), particularly for the purpose of accreditation support. There is an openness to some flexibility and an element of remote working.

Reporting to: President of PSI Council (Chair of Council)

Contract Type: Full-time, fixed term (5 years), following completion of a 6-month probationary period

Salary: Attractive remuneration, commensurate with relevant skills and experience

The full job specification can be viewed here

(<https://www.activelink.ie/sites/default/files/attach/notice-entry/2025/04/14/Job%20Advert%20-%20PSI%20Executive%20Director%20-%20April%202025%20%28long%20version%29%20FINAL.pdf>) .

How to Apply:

Please submit a CV and cover letter by email, with the subject of the email being 'PSI Executive Director application', to:

Dr Damien Lowry

president@psychologicalsociety.ie (<mailto:president@psychologicalsociety.ie>)

Application Deadline: 5pm, Thursday 01 May 2025

Region

Dublin / Flexible

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