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Human Resources Department

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The **World Council of Churches (WCC)** is an ecumenical fellowship of churches founded in 1948, which brings together 352 member churches from all over the world and promotes Christian unity in faith, witness and service for a just and peaceful world.

The 11th Assembly of the World Council of Churches will take place in Karlsruhe, Germany, from 31 August to 8 September 2022, under the theme "Christ's love moves the world to reconciliation and unity".

The WCC is looking for a **Director of Faith and Order**, based in Geneva, to be responsible for coordinating all related activities, in close collaboration with the WCC governing bodies, members of the Faith and Order Commission, the Pontifical Council for Promoting Christian Unity as well as counterparts in member Churches and other ecumenical organizations.

At ease both in an international working environment and with the values and mission of the Council, the Director of Faith and Order will assume the following responsibilities:

- To coordinate and actively participate in a wide range of studies approved by the Faith and Order Commission and address theological, social and historical factors related to the unity of the churches.
- To follow debates in member churches and among ecumenical partners on church unity, and collect and assess information on relevant decisions and developments in this field with particular attention to the different contexts of contemporary global Christianity.
- To encourage and accompany member churches and ecumenical partners in their theological and ecclesiological reflection, addressing fundamental issues related to the unity of the churches and the continuing sources of division among and within them, and the renewal of methods to address them.
- To promote, communicate and interpret the work of Faith and Order to member churches and ecumenical partners.
- To contribute to ecumenical formation at the Ecumenical Institute as required.
- To contribute to the meetings of the Permanent Committee on Consensus and Collaboration, the Joint Working Group between the Roman Catholic Church and the WCC, the Conference of Secretaries of the Christian World Communions, and the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity.
- To be a credible and effective advocate for the cause of Christian unity, for Faith and Order and for the WCC, through publications and presentations to churches, faculties and in other venues.

Qualifications and special requirements:

- Post Graduate (minimum PhD degree) in a related field of theology.
- Minimum five years of experience and a strong track record in project management, preferably in an international, ecumenical and/or church-related environment.
- Ability to represent, interpret and communicate the positions of the WCC to member churches and other ecumenical partners.
- Excellent command of written and spoken English. Knowledge of other WCC working languages (Spanish, French, and/or German) is an asset.
- Sensitivity to multicultural and ecumenical settings with respect to gender, race, ethnicity, sexual orientation, disability and age diversity;
- Ready to travel extensively (more than 20 days per year)

Deadline for applications: 23 September 2022

Apply for this position by clicking on the following link:

https://wcccoe.hire.trakstar.com/jobs/fk0scoh

Starting date: as soon as possible

About human resources at the WCC:

The WCC is an equal opportunity employer. The sole criteria for recruitment, training and career opportunities are qualification, skills, experience and performance to all its staff members.

The WCC's annual review and financial report 2021 can be consulted by clicking on the following link:

WCC Annual reviews and Financial reports | World Council of Churches (oikoumene.org)