



Job Opportunity Announcement

The Atacama Astronomical Park (AAP) is searching for its first General Manager. The position will remain open until a suitable candidate is found.

The Chilean National Assets Ministry created the AAP, through a concession to the National Commission for Scientific and Technological Research (CONICYT) for 50 years, starting in 2013.

The AAP consist of an extension of 36,347 hectares, located in the plain of Chajnantor, in the north of Chile and at more than 4,000 meters (13,000 ft.) of altitude. This area is one of the best in the world for astronomical observations, and the purpose of the AAP is to facilitate the installation of scientific astronomy projects in that sector, with the following objectives:

- To work in collaboration with other projects in the area (e.g. ALMA, TAO, Nanten, and ASTE), in order to ensure the best use of logistical resources in terms of energy and water supply, connectivity, road maintenance and others.
- To engage the local community with the scientific research conducted in the park, through outreach and education.
- To provide development areas for human capital or local industry through collaborative projects with the participating institutions.

The APP is a recent enterprise. It was created in 2013 and began activities at the end of 2016. The General Manager has the opportunity of assembling its own professional team.

The General Manager will guide the Atacama Astronomical Park under the supervision of the AAP Board. The Board of Directors will retain all authority for the AAP as defined within the concession contract, and the General Manager will interact directly with the Board as well as other government and private institutions, like the Foreign Affairs Ministry, National Assets Ministry, Environment Ministry, observatories, local communities and others. The General Manager position will be based in Santiago, with frequent travel to San Pedro de Atacama.

In addition, applicants are expected to have:

- Validated talent for administration and management, combined with skill in institutional and international relations.
- Communication skills to address the AAP Board and other institutions.
- Fluent communication in English and Spanish.
- Physical capacity to be at high altitude.
- 5 years of experience minimum.



Applications received by the **end of July 2018** will be given full consideration. Applications must include:

- Curriculum vitae.
- Information on meaningful experience and accomplishments.
- Personal statement on diversity and inclusion.
- Working plan.
- Names of three professional references.

Please send all the information to Victoria Conejeros (vconejeros@conicyt.cl).