

IHU ICAN Chief Executive Officer

About IHU ICAN

Founded in 2011 by three prestigious French institutions — AP-HP, Inserm, and Sorbonne Université — IHU ICAN is a multidisciplinary institute dedicated to advancing the understanding, diagnosis, and treatment of cardiometabolic diseases. Backed by the French Future Investment Program (PIA), ICAN integrates basic research, clinical expertise, and innovation, and is at the forefront of translational medicine in Europe.

IHU ICAN has obtained ISO 9001:2015 certification.

Job Summary:

Lead the Future in Cardiometabolic Innovation.

The IHU ICAN is seeking its next Chief Executive Officer.

The University Hospital Institute of Cardiometabolism and Nutrition (IHU ICAN), located in the heart of Paris on the Pitié-Salpêtrière hospital campus, is seeking an outstanding scientific leader to become its next Director. This international call is open to visionary individuals ready to shape the future of cardiometabolic health through excellence in science, clinical impact, and strategic vision.

The role:

As Chief Executive Officer, you will:

- Shape and implement a bold, long-term scientific and strategic vision for the institute (10 years+ horizon)
- Interact with a multidisciplinary research and clinical community of over 400 professionals
- Strengthen ICAN's national and international positioning in cardiometabolism
- Secure diverse and sustainable funding sources and develop high-level strategic partnerships
- Foster a collaborative and high-performance culture across academic, clinical, and industrial stakeholders
- Represent ICAN in national and international academic, medical, and policy arenas

Required Skills & Qualifications:

You are an internationally recognized scientific leader in the field of cardiometabolic diseases, with:

- A PhD or MD-PhD and internationally visible research achievements in the field
- A **proven ability to lead ambitious, multidisciplinary biomedical programs**
- Deep **experience in translational research** and academic team building
- Strategic thinking and **visionary leadership** in complex environments
- Outstanding **managerial skills** and the ability to structure and inspire high-level teams
- An aptitude for **driving innovation** at the intersection of academia, hospitals, and industry
- Strong **fundraising and networking capabilities**, including public/private partnerships
- Familiarity with the French academic, hospital and funding ecosystems (a plus, not a prerequisite)
- A commitment to **ethical leadership**, inclusion, and scientific integrity
- Excellent communication skills in English and, ideally, French (or willingness to learn)

What We Offer :

- ✓ A strategic role at the head of one of Europe's leading translational research institutes
- ✓ The opportunity to lead an independent foundation operating within a world-class hospital, university and biomedical research ecosystem
- ✓ A unique position combining scientific direction, institutional leadership, and clinical interface
- ✓ Dedicated laboratory space, seed funding for team recruitment, and potential clinical appointment (depending on profile)

Key Information :

- Start date: t.b.d in 2026
- Contract: Four-year renewable mandate
- Location: Paris, France
- Women and candidates from diverse backgrounds are encouraged to apply

How to Apply :

Applications must include:

- A full CV
- A complete publication list
- A two-page leadership and motivation statement
- Up to three letters of professional reference

Please send your application to: philippe.tcheng@quadra-consultants.com

Deadline for submission: End of 2025