



## **APU (Autonomous Production Unit) Manager**

- **Lead & manage site operations at our Temuka facility – team of approx. 30**
- **Take responsibility for the complete product line value stream**
- **Support R&D & Commercial team in NPD - continuous improvement, customer focus**

**Newly acquired business trading under the brand “Prattley” – Fabrication of automated portable animal management equipment – Role reports to our Regional Operations Director.**

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### **About Datamars**

Datamars is a global data solutions company with a 30+ year legacy in animal and textile solutions. Building on our history as a successful RFID identification and data solutions company we bring together products, technologies and capabilities to put powerful data in the hands of our livestock, pet and textile customers so they can make better informed decisions, get the right results and achieve measurable success. We help livestock producers be more sustainably productive and maintain their land and lifestyle.

Datamars is a rapidly growing multinational with manufacturing presence in every continent, hence the incumbent has great opportunities in carrier growth and progression.

### **The role**

As the APU Manager, he/she will lead the site operations, the responsibilities range across the complete product line value stream, starting from procurement of the raw material to metal fabrication, assembly and deliver, with the aim of increasing the financial performance, while delivering the right quality, at the right cost, on time and in full, within a safe environment.

- Lead and manage the Temuka based operations facility (approx. 30 staff) across procurement, production, logistics, quality, EHS (environment, health and Safety) and projects within the plant
- Coordinate & monitor the work plan of the plant – be agile and make effective & decisive decisions to ensure targets are met
- Implement and sustain a lean manufacturing culture for a job and small batch production
- Responsible for financial performance of the site, and improvement through the reduction of the transformation costs
- Be part of the team to make strategic plans and budgeting reports
- Provide coaching and development to staff nurturing the team culture
- Strong focus on internal and external customers
- Represent the company and have customer interactions during Field Days and other relevant industry events.

### **Experience & Competencies**

- Experience of building and retaining a good and motivated team that delivers consistently
- Metal fabrication - Managing a small batch, or job production
- Experience in implementing and sustaining Lean Manufacturing culture.
- Experience in dealing with fabrication and logistical subcontractors
- Experience of building and retaining a good and motivated team that delivers consistently
- Methodological and highly mechanical minded person
- Drives business decisions through data
- Continuous improvement mentality, both in shopfloor and office environment
- High emotional intelligence - leads by example
- Experience in working in a matrix organisation, ideally a multinational

### **Benefits**

- Base Salary + Kiwisaver Contributions
- Enjoy a paid day off on your birthday each year
- Employee Assistance Programme – Supporting wellbeing “I AM HERE” Tribe
- PEERS Reward & Recognition Program across Australasia
- Global secondment opportunities for those interested in international experiences

As a vertically integrated business with a head office in Switzerland and market-based operations in over 21 countries, we unite people from diverse sectors, backgrounds, countries and professions. This proudly diverse and inclusive culture strengthens our collective abilities to make a measurable difference to the profitability and quality of life of customers, the sustainability of sectors and the future of the environment.

# DATAMARS

We have R&D hubs in four locations (Auckland, Hamilton, Lamone and Chiang Mai), production facilities in six locations and sales and marketing hubs in over 24 locations worldwide. We are constantly evolving, which allows our people to engage with stimulating & innovative technology, products & projects.

**For further insight into our business visit [www.datamars.com](http://www.datamars.com) and [www.livestock.datamars.com](http://www.livestock.datamars.com).**

**To express your interest in this opportunity please get in touch with Mel Pantelides, Global Recruitment Lead – [melanie.pantelides@datamars.com](mailto:melanie.pantelides@datamars.com)**

**As we are heading into the Christmas break, we will be in touch mid-January to explore your application.**