ELDICO Scientific expands its team

Swiss start up and manufacturer of innovative electron diffractometers hires employees nos. 1 and 2, bringing additional competencies in project management and scientific marketing to the company

Villigen (PARK INNOVAARE, PSI/West), 8 September 2020 – To prepare its organisation for the anticipated growth, ELDICO has expanded its team by two new team members: Francesco Garbuglia as Senior Technical Project Manager and Emmanuela Pustan as Junior Marketing Manager. ELDICO Scientific manufactures and sells novel instruments for electron diffraction in crystallography, enabling nanocrystalline solid state analysis in the sub-micrometer range. Though specific instruments are not yet available on the market today, ELDICO is working to this end with leading suppliers and engineering partners in Switzerland and abroad. The company is already seeing a growing market response from clients in Europe and overseas.

In the role of Senior Technical Project Manager, Francesco Garbuglia will be supporting the implementation of the product concept in an agile context, interact with manufacturing partners, monitor critical paths and deadlines within the R&D budget and – last but not least – participate in the design of internal business processes. Francesco Garbuglia holds a B.Sc. in aerospace engineering from Politecnico di Torino as well as an MBA from ESCP Paris. In his previous positions, he led cross-functional teams at GE and Alstom, amongst others, and has extensive experience in global project planning, budgeting and execution. In this function, Francesco has led large-scale projects and applied state-of-the-art project management tools.

As a Junior Marketing Manage and Scientific Community Manager, Emma Pustan will further develop ELDICO’s marketing strategy and drive its implementation. This includes the expansion of social media communication, developing marketing materials and supporting the sales team. Originally from Romania, the 26 year old holds a master’s degree in comparative literature from King’s College London and is currently completing her academic training with an MBA. Emma also has several years of marketing experience in a non-profit organization. Since her academic research has focused mainly on the connections between medicine and literature, she feels very much at home in scientific marketing.

“With additional competencies in functional areas extremely relevant to ELDICO’s current state of development, Emma and Francesco will significantly increase our capabilities to grow a successful business. Our timing in gaining these two experienced professionals could not be better”, says Dr. Eric Hovestreydt, CEO. ELDICO is well on track: product development is reaching the finish line, and the launch of the first product is expected for early 2021. To achieve its ambitious goals, ELDICO is partnering with some of the world’s leading engineering partners and component suppliers, having recently received awards for R&D100 2020 well as the European Commission’s Seal of Excellence.

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| Photo Caption: | Francesco Garbuglia and Emma Pustan, new team members of Eldico Scientific. |

About ELDICO Scientific AG

ELDICO Scientific AG (The Electron Diffraction Company) is a Swiss hardware company founded in 2019 and based in the [Switzerland Innovation Park Innovaare](https://www.parkinnovaare.ch/) at the Paul Scherrer Institute (PSI), a globally leading Swiss research institute for natural and engineering sciences. ELDICO develops, manufactures and sells novel instruments for electron diffraction in crystallography, enabling nanocrystalline solid state analysis in the sub-micrometer range. Though specific instruments are not yet available on the market today, ELDICO will be launching the first instrument specifically designed for nano-crystallographic investigations. The proof of concept was achieved in 2018 (ETH Zurich, C-CINA Basel) on scientifically and industrially relevant samples. It was published in 2018 and awarded as a Top 5 ["Breakthrough of the Year 2018"](https://vis.sciencemag.org/breakthrough2018/finalists/#rapid-structure) by leading scientific journal *SCIENCE*. In 2020, ELDICO took second place in the competition for the prestigious pioneer prize awarded by Technopark Zurich and the Zürcher Kantonalbank (ZKB). [www.eldico-scientific.com](http://www.eldico-scientific.com)

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