

TPS DIRECTOR OF SKILLS

Work on skills forms a key part of the TPS work programme and a unique opportunity has arisen for a dedicated transport professional to drive forward the Society's work on the TPP qualification and the TPS Professional Development Scheme from February 2010. **Initially, you will work alongside** Martin Richards, the current Skills Director (who will be retiring in February 2010) **commencing** during the latter part of 2009.

As a key member of the TPS Board, your work will include:

- representing TPS on the TPP Professional Standards Committee and Partnership Management Group
- taking a leading role, with IHT, in the provision of information on the TPP qualification to potential candidates and mentors
- promoting the TPS Professional Development Scheme among employers, and supporting those organisations with a Scheme licence, including arranging an annual licensees' workshop
- ensuring all the Society's documentation and website information on TPP and Scheme are reviewed regularly and updated as required
- providing news and information on the TPP and Scheme for publication through the Society's channels, and on the Scheme to the professional press and the other organisations
- chairing the Society's Skills Committee
- working with GoSkills, in due course, in the review of the National Occupational Standards for Transport Planners, and those for Transport Planning Technical Support Staff
- reporting to and attending the Society's Board meetings,

As we are in transition from launch of both the TPP qualification and the TPS Professional Development Scheme to their continuing operation, it is not possible to provide an accurate statement of the time requirements, but they will be between 3 and 5 days a month, on average.

Candidates should be transport planners committed to promoting professional development within the transport planning community and have experience of managing professional development in some capacity. They should, ideally, have a good network of contacts within the industry but should not have other employment that might be seen to create potential conflicts in working with employers in both the private and public sectors.

The successful candidate will need to become a member of the Society, if they are not already, will be a co-opted Director of the Society and will be paid an honorarium.

For an informal discussion on this appointment, **please** contact Martin Richards at martinrichards1@aol.com, 01306 711885.

To apply for this position, please write to Victoria Hills, Chair, The Transport Planning Society, 1 Great George Street. London, SW1P 3AA, enclosing **a copy of your CV** or e-mail Victoria at tps@ice.org.uk. **The closing date is Friday 29 May 2009.**