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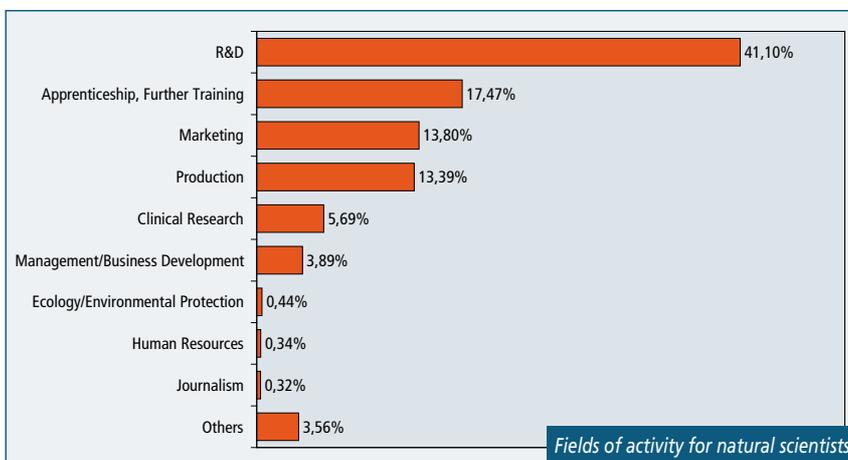
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Wanted!

In German-speaking countries, the shortage of skilled workers is a frequently discussed issue. There is a search for natural scientists and engineers to advance economic social change in information and research-intensive industries and services. In Switzerland, approximately 3,000 engineering positions are not filled and in Germany (which has a deficit of over 27,000 engineers and 70,000 natural scientists) there is talk of a loss of value creation of approximately €18 billion as a result of the shortage of skilled workers. Over the coming years, demographic change will bring about an increasing proportion of elderly people among the population in most industrialised nations, and consequently a falling proportion of economically active people. Companies have reacted by providing support and further training to existing specialists, and primarily with further professional training measures for older, experienced workers. The shortage of skilled workers is also leading to companies increasingly searching for experts abroad and giving greater importance to the international recruitment of highly qualified specialist staff.

The small proportion of highly qualified individuals in the natural sciences sector is also problematic, in which young workers in Austria and Germany are significantly underrepresented compared with the OECD average (Education at a glance, 2008). By contrast, Switzerland is above average when compared to the OECD countries. According to a survey of the Swiss National Statistics Office, the chances of chemistry and life sciences graduates finding employment within five years of completing their

degree are very good, with an unemployment rate of only 3%. Increased demand for natural scientists is also reflected in the above-average fall in the number of unemployed natural scientists in Germany. As the leading expert career platform for national scientists, jobvector offers an effective opportunity to counteract the shortage of skilled workers and supports companies in searching for suitable skilled personnel. Companies and skilled workers are brought together at recruitment events for specialists in life sciences. These events are integrated into leading European trade fairs with a focus on natural sciences. jobvector will be represented at ACHEMA on 14 May 2009 with an informative programme revolving around careers in the life sciences sector.



Source: jobvector/capsid GmbH; interpretation: job ads

- jobvector Jobtour: Direct contact with HR managers
 - jobvector Forum: Talks on jobs and careers in life sciences
 - jobvector Check: Individual application portfolio check
 - jobvector Jobwall: Opportunities and career advice
- Recruiters from leading companies are looking forward to hearing questions from applicants at all stages of their careers. ■