The EPFL School of Architecture, Civil and Environmental Engineering (ENAC) invites applications for the Ingvar Kamprad Chair, a tenured Associate or Full Professor position in its Institute of Environmental Engineering (IIE). The appointee will join the newly formed EPFL Centre for Changing Alpine and Polar Environments (CAPE), based in Sion, Switzerland, and contribute to research and teaching activities within IIE. This appointment is one of several CAPE professorships, and offers unrivalled collaboration opportunities at the local and European levels. The appointee will also participate (and represent EPFL) in the Swiss Polar Institute, which promotes collaborative research within Switzerland and internationally.

The holder of this Chair will be an internationally recognized scholar in quantifying impacts of climate change on frozen water resources at large scales in Alpine and Polar environments. This area of activity is interpreted broadly, and potentially considers ice physics and dynamics, remote sensing of polar caps/glaciers and interpretation of physical changes, physically based and data-intensive modelling of mountain/polar hydrological systems, snow physics, and implications for mountain/polar water resources.

In this context, we seek an outstanding individual who will lead an internationally recognized research program that leverages the opportunities offered by CAPE/EPFL. The professor will be committed to excellence in research and in undergraduate and graduate level teaching, and will contribute to the teaching program in Environmental Engineering at EPFL, which views basic and translational research as the foundation for environmental adaption and engineering design.

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The following documents are requested in PDF format: cover letter including a statement of motivation, curriculum vitae, publications list, concise statements of research and teaching interests (3-5 pages) as well as the names and addresses, including emails, of at least five references (may be contacted at a later stage). Applications should be uploaded to the EPFL recruitment web site:

https://facultyrecruiting.epfl.ch/position/10977280

Formal evaluation of the applications will begin on May 1, 2018 and the search will continue until the position is filled.

Further enquiries should be made to the Chair of the Search Committee:

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