



Vacancy

Head coach - fulltime (38u/week)

Leuven Aquatics (LAQUA) is looking for a full-time (100%) head coach for the swimming department (start as soon as possible). LAQUA is the largest swimming club in Belgium by member count, with the home base being Sportoase Philipssite Leuven (25m pool). The swimming department comprises of approximately 80 highly motivated competitive swimmers spanning various age categories, all of whom harbour ambitions on both Belgian and/or international stages. As head coach, you would train these competitive swimmers on a daily basis with the aim of reaching the swimmers personal goals.

What defines this role?

The head coach of the competitive swimming department is tasked with the development and operational implementation of the athletic direction within LAQUA's competitive swimming program (~75%). This entails:

- Contributing to the High Performance Culture (HPC) in the department.
- Being responsible for the coaching of athletes in the core team of the competitive department (the elite group)
- Following up on the youth training and the respective trainers of the youth training program led by the junior coaches.
- Being jointly responsible for putting together the technical sports staff.
- Facilitating the training and further education of the sports staff.

Besides being the head coach of LAQUA's competitive swimming department, it is also expected of you to coordinate the swimming school as well as the recreational groups of Leuven Aquatics (~25%).

What are the tasks?

- Continuous evaluation and training of the athletes from the elite group and other coaches within the HPC
- Communicating with the respective specialists aiding the individual athletes (physiotherapist, sports doctor, nutritionist, performance psychologist, s&c coach etc.)
- Drawing up season planning of the elite group as well as competition entries
- Supervision of athletes at all training sessions, training camps and competitions where possible.
- Open communication with athletes, parents and specialists as well as the club committee about goals and evaluations within the HPC
- Coordination of coaching staff
- Participating in the growth and evolvement of the club's vision in collaboration with the club committee
- Regular participation in meetings of the club committee
- Monitoring and implementing the club's vision
- Deciding on the composition of the swimming groups, e.g. following up on younger swimmers that are ready to start practicing with the elite group
- Ensuring qualitative operations and coordinating the LAQUA swimming school and recreational groups



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Who are we looking for?

- You have experience with training and guiding competitive swimmers on a national level (international level is a big bonus)
- You are motivated, highly enthusiastic, and have a passion for swimming
- You are a team player with excellent communication and social skills
- You have good organizational skills
- You have a pool lifeguard license

What can we offer?

- A full time equivalent contract with an attractive salary package
- Financial support for further education and training that would benefit your job.
- A chair in the committee

If you want to apply for this job or if you wish to receive more information, please contact either

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