

# Vice President Technology & R&D ContiTech (m/f/diverse) - REF92468U

## Your tasks

At ContiTech, we are shaping the future of material-driven solutions. As a **(senior) executive at group level** you will own and steer the **global technology, material and product platform strategy** across ContiTech – translating technological excellence into **measurable business impact, sustainability outcomes and long-term competitiveness**.

## Your Role & Impact:

### Material & Product Platforms

- Define, implement and continuously evolve **global material and product technology platforms** across ContiTech
- Balance performance, scalability, complexity and cost to ensure **long-term competitiveness and platform reuse**
- Steer the global technology portfolio towards **performance leadership, carbon neutrality and circularity**
- Secure and execute robust, standardized **research, testing and qualification frameworks** to ensure technical excellence, compliance and speed-to-market

### Technology Governance & Operating Model

- Drive R&D and innovations across regions and business areas for respective business needs
- Execute **data- and tool-enabled transparency** in portfolio management, decision-making and technology performance
- Ensure consistent application of technical standards, regulatory requirements and compliance across the ContiTech portfolio

### Sustainability & Circular Economy

- Translate ContiTech's sustainability ambitions into **clear technology and platform roadmaps**
- Embed **carbon-neutral and circular-economy principles** into material choices, product architectures and innovation priorities
- Ensure sustainability targets are **measurable, scalable and economically viable**

### Digital Products & Technology Platforms

- Shape and govern technology platforms for hardware- and software-enabled products
- Define clear ownership models and interfaces between digital, material and product development
- Ensure security, reliability, data integrity and regulatory compliance across an increasingly connected technology ecosystem

### Innovation & Business Modeling



Job ID  
**REF92468U**

Field of work  
**Research and Development**

Location  
**Hanover**

Leadership level  
**Leading Business**

Job flexibility  
**Hybrid Job**

Contact  
**Tabea Gieseler**

Legal Entity  
**ContiTech Deutschland GmbH**

- Operate and develop innovative venture unit business
- Drive structured tech scouting and innovation initiatives aligned with strategic priorities
- Enable entrepreneurial thinking across R&D and business areas, with a clear focus on **scalability and value creation**

### Research & External Collaboration

- Define a **long-term research and technology vision** for ContiTech
- Build and leverage a strong global ecosystem of **academic, industrial and research partners**
- Position ContiTech as a **preferred partner for material-driven innovation** worldwide

### Your profile

- PhD in Chemistry or a closely related scientific discipline
- Extensive international experience in technology-related business functions, ideally within the rubber or materials industry
- Demonstrated leadership track record in complex, transformation-driven environments
- Strong understanding of value creation in technology-focused organizations; experience in private equity contexts is an asset
- Proven ability to translate customer and market needs into scalable technology and platform strategies
- Confident, credible leadership personality with the ability to lead through change and ambiguity
- Strong business acumen combined with an execution-oriented mindset
- Fluent in German and English (written and spoken), with strong communication and stakeholder-management skills

Applications from severely handicapped people are welcome.

### Our offer

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- Training opportunities
- Mobile and flexible working models
- Sabbaticals

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ContiTech is one of the world's leading industry specialists. The Continental group sector offers its customers connected, environment-friendly, safe and convenient industry and service solutions using a range of materials for off-highway applications, on rails and roads, in the air, under and above the ground, in industrial environments, for the food sector and the furniture industry. With about 39,000 employees in more than 40 countries and sales of some 6.4 billion euros (2024), the global industrial partner is active with core branches in Asia, Europe and North and South America.