

Senior Marine Biologist/ Scientist

Number of Posts: 1

Contract Type: Fixed / Definite Contract

Job description:

The role includes the oversight of marine biological activities in the company, the coordination and reporting of various project developments, as well as being directly involved at a practical level in all field surveys. Experience in the design, management and execution of marine related projects is essential. The responsibilities of the selected candidate include, but are not limited to:

- Conduct inventories, testing and monitoring of marine life exposed to pollutants.
- Collect and analyse samples, and develop new theories based on this research.
- Conduct environmental impact assessments that evaluate possible environmental impacts of proposed projects or developments.

Engage in coring techniques, geographic information systems (GIS), visual recording and sampling to determine the health of the marine environment.

- Prepare detailed reports for agencies, funders, commercial organisations, government organisations or other commercial companies that make use of the sea / seabed.
- Coordinate and track assignments, schedules and budgets.
- Provide policymakers with the scientific information needed to best manage the marine environment and advocate this in the policy process through government liaison, press and media.
- Communicate the latest findings on marine biology through academic publications, conferences or outreach.

Requirements:

The ideal candidate will have a strong balance between academic qualifications and practical experience in all areas of the subject, including preparing tenders, scientific reports, and other assessments as necessary.

An M.Sc. in biology / marine science, with at least two (2) years of commercial experience in a marine science environment is required.

The candidate must be fluent in written and spoken English and ideally at least one other language.

Other requirements include:

- Ability to plan and execute experimental protocols; excellent laboratory skills, such as sequencing, writing risk assessments and standard operating procedures. Excellent knowledge of microscopes, electronic equipment, dissection, collection and preservation of biological and chemical samples.
- Excellent statistical analysis skills are required. Knowledge and proficiency in the use of R Studio software and GIS highly desirable
- Although not the norm, we require staff to be adaptable to living in basic living conditions in minimalist environments, to work in all types of weather and live aboard research vessels for short periods of time
- Superb interpersonal skills to work with a variety of people from local fisherman and government officials to activists and professors.
- Practical experience in SCUBA diving, boat handling (ideally, but not essential) and first aid.
- Analytical thinker with strong conceptual and research skills; strong numeracy and IT skills with accuracy and attention to detail and the willingness to keep up to date with current marine research.

Training provided: No

Any assistance with accommodation/relocation: Yes

Any other benefits: We offer Work Permit, Health Insurance, Accommodation

Salary: 30K up to 36K

How will the interviews be held: Online

To apply:

CVs and a covering email are to be sent by email to eures.recruitment.jobsplus@gov.mt and should be written in English. Please quote the vacancy name and number in your email.