

At the Institute of Sea Fisheries, one of 14 institutes of the Johann Heinrich von Thünen Institute, Federal Research Institute for Rural Areas, Forestry and Fisheries, a three-year position of a

Project and communication officer

is to be filled within the project SeaUseTip starting at the 1st of March in 2019 (depending on approval of funding). The position is part-time according to 50% of a full-time equivalent (currently 19.5 h/week).

The Thünen Institute advises the Federal Ministry of Food and Agriculture (BMEL) regarding the implementation of the Common Fisheries Policy (CFP) and is actively involved in the implementation processes of the Marine Strategy Framework Directive (MSFD).

SeaUseTip is funded by the Federal Ministry of Education and Research (BMBF) and is a transdisciplinary research project, which aims to assess the vulnerability of the socioecological system (SES) of the North Sea to ecological tipping points. Emphasis lies on the SES in relation to key fisheries resources in the southern North Sea and the novel integration of economic, socio-cultural and ecological analyses. SeaUseTip will develop operational tools allowing a better understanding of the effectiveness of management measures.

The successful candidate is expected to coordinate project disseminations and communications as well as to take over administrative tasks. The project officer develops internal and external communication and dissemination strategies. This comprises also setting up and maintaining a project website and a related communication platform, the development of project newsletters and popular science communications.

Detailed tasks

- Coordinating and developing of dissemination and communication strategies,
- Coordination of annual reports, project newsletters and popular science communications,
- Development and maintenance of a project web-site and communication platform,
- Assisting in the development of high quality graphics and graphical representations of complex information,
- Tracking of project budgets and the provision of milestones and deliverables,
- Assisting the project leader with administrative tasks such as invoicing related to the project,
- Planning and realisation of several engagement activities and events.

Requirements

- Master degree in Marine Science, Fisheries Biology or similar disciplines,
- Basic scientific understanding of the SeaUseTip research topic,
- Good communication and writing skills in English and German,
- Demonstrated ability to work in a diverse transdisciplinary team,
- Experience in project management, i.e. in managing multiple demands whilst still keeping strictly to deadlines,
- Demonstrated experience in developing and implementing dissemination and communications strategies,

- Experience in setting up websites would be an asset,
- Proven ability in producing solutions to complex problems and resolving issues using creativity, reasoning and experience.

We offer:

- an exciting position in applied research which produces results of high public interest,
- intensive interdisciplinary and international cooperation.

Employment complies with the German wage agreement for the civil service sector (TVöD Bund), salary group E13 (50%) (if the personnel requirements are fulfilled). The Thünen Institute supports gender equality. Qualified female applicants are encouraged to apply. Handicapped applicants are especially considered if equally qualified for the job; a minimum of physical fitness, however, will be required.

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