

CALL FOR CANDIDATURES: Blue Economy Expert - UfM/IP/2016/002

1. Subject:

The UfMS is seeking to incorporate a Blue Economy Expert at its headquarters in Barcelona. Below is the job description, detailing the responsibilities and required skills and qualifications.

Job Description			
Job Title:	Blue Economy Expert	Reports to:	Water and Environment Division (WED) -Deputy Secretary General and Senior Programme Manager
Category and Contract	International 1 year, extendable (6 months'probation period) Employment according to funding as per the applicable support grant	Gross Salary Range	55.000 – 65.000 Euros
Division:	Water and Environment	ı	

SUMMARY

Under the supervision of the DSG WED and Senior Programme Manager in charge of Blue Economy, the Expert will assist the UfM Secretariat in activating and consolidating the overall UfM Blue Economy (BE) agenda and portfolio, according to the recommendations of the UfM Declaration on Blue Economy, adopted in November 2015, and of its Working Group, set up in May 2016 (UfM Working Group on Blue Economy)

PRIMARY RESPONSIBILITIES

- Contribute to the development and implementation of UfM BE agenda and portfolio according to the UfM BE Ministerial Declaration, to the recommendations of the UfM Working Group and to the overall regional developments in the sectors of intervention;
- Organize the 1st UfM Stakeholders Conference on Blue Economy within the wider frame of the UfM BE Forum under the supervision of the DSG and Senior Programme Manager and in close collaboration with the UfM copresidency and other partners.
- Animate the Virtual Knowledge Centre (VKC) as Stakeholder register and Networking Platform and supervise the work of the related IT component and technical assistance.
- In consultation with UfM BE Supervisors, help identifying and promoting relevant Blue Economy initiatives and projects; ensuring liaison with stakeholders and potential project promoters; contribute as appropriate to mobilizing the necessary funding for BE activities and projects;
- Contribute to provide support to the main themes and related BE emerging dossiers, provide expert inputs to BE documents and papers, ensure regular inputs on BE within the overall frame of the UfM Forum on Blue Economy;
- Ensure the regular reporting to the UfM Blue Economy Task Force, called by the DSG and Senior Programme Manager;
- Monitor project work plans and prepare progress reports; carry out the preparatory aspects of procurement processes as and if needed (drafting Terms of References, etc.); conduct evaluations



and assessment of results; contribute to the production of information and communication tools in the areas of intervention;

- Participate at meetings and perform missions in the countries of the region as requested; contribute
 to the preparation of UfM meetings, high-level visits, missions and events in the sectors of
 intervention as requested;
- Consult and report on a continuous basis to the UfM BE Supervisors.
- Other related tasks as assigned.

QUALIFICATIONS, SKILLS AND RELEVANT EXPERIENCE:

ESSENTIAL MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS

- University Degree in Economics / Science/ Political Science / Management and Law applied to the sea, or any other relevant field of relevance to the Blue Economy where the normal period of full-time university education is four years or more;
- At least 7 years proven experience in international/regional/subregional programme coordination;
- Experience in policy development and implementation in the field of blue economy/growth and integrated maritime policy, particularly with a cross-sectorial approach and in cross-border contexts;
- A very good knowledge of the Mediterranean region and of the regional marine/maritime affairs;
- Proven knowledge and professional experience in project management; experience in working in projects funded by international and European organizations;
- Strong analytical skills and ability to make sound judgments; critical thinking and problem solving skills; optimal planning and organizational skills; excellent computer literacy in MS office tools.
- Excellent communication, drafting and reporting skills; excellent command of English and good command of French, both orally and in writing.

Applicants must hold the nationality of a member state of the UfM.

DESIRABLE QUALIFICATIONS

- Proven capacity to work in a policy-driven institution operating in a multicultural geographical area, being able to recognize very diverse political, economic and social environments and to accommodate pragmatically and tactfully the activities of the institution to those different environments;
- Solid working experience in at least two and preferably more areas relevant to the Mediterranean blue economy/growth dossier;
- Knowledge of other UfM countries languages.

Reference:

http://ufmsecretariat.org/wp-content/uploads/2015/11/2015-11-17-declaration-on-blue-economy_en.pdf

2. Submission of applications:

Please read carefully the following information and send a complete application in English to the following address: hr.recruitment@ufmsecretariat.org.

The complete application includes:

• A detailed curriculum vitae in English



• A motivation letter in English in a separate document including a clear mention of the profile applied for. Please, do not send any supporting documents (i.e.: copies of your ID-card, educational certificates, evidence of previous professional experience etc.) with your application at this stage.

3. Submission Date:

Complete applications must be submitted by **28th November 2016 (midnight, European time,GMT+1)**

Only shortlisted candidates will be contacted for interviews.