



CALL FOR CANDIDATURES:

Sustainable Blue Economy Expert / Analyst (senior), Sustainable Development Division

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1. Subject

The UfM Secretariat is seeking to incorporate a Sustainable Blue Economy Expert / Analyst (senior), for its headquarters in Barcelona. Below is the job description, detailing the responsibilities and required skills and qualifications.

JOB DESCRIPTION			
Job Title:	Sustainable Blue Economy Expert / Analyst (senior)	Reports to:	DSG Sustainable Development , and Head of Sector Water, Environment and Blue Economy
Division / Department:	Sustainable Development Division	Staff category and conditions:	Contracted Staff : Contracted Staff as per Staff Regulations & Implementing Rules Post Classification: PM2.2 , Analyst Gross Salary 53,542 €
SUMMARY			
Under the overall supervision of the DSG responsible for Sustainable Blue Economy (SBE) and the direct supervision of the Head of Sector in charge of Environment, Green, and Sustainable Blue Economy, the Sustainable Blue Economy Expert / Analyst (senior) will support the UfM Secretariat in strengthening the UfM agenda/portfolio and regional dialogue on SBE in line with the mandate of the UfM Ministerial Declarations on SBE.			
PRIMARY RESPONSIBILITIES			
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Monitors the UfM portfolio of activities on SBE daily, following overall regional developments and providing technical inputs and support to the main themes/priorities and activities in line with the UfM Ministerial Declarations on SBE, the related Roadmap/Action Plans, and the SBE portfolio of projects. This includes drafting speeches, talking points, concept notes, briefings, etc. as requested.• Supports the implementation of the UfM Ministerial Declarations on SBE and the agreed UfM Roadmaps/Action Plans, promoting advancements towards potential future political deliberations, supporting coordination and steady relations with the ecosystem of UfM SBE			



stakeholders, strengthening and identifying new partnerships, and proposing solutions/corrective measures when needed.

- Supports the planning and implementation of activities under the UfM's SBE dossier and of the related deliverables (webinars/capacity buildings/trainings, conferences, publications, etc.) in line with the UfM Ministerials and Roadmap/Actions Plans on SBE and with the UfM Work Programme.
- Supports technical and financial reporting, and donor relations.
- Supports the timely and technically sound organization and follow up to the regular meetings of the UfM Regional Platform on SBE as agreed with the UfM Co-Presidency and ensures the timely reception and review of reporting submitted by the countries under the Monitoring, Reporting, and Evaluation system of the SBE Ministerial/Roadmap.
- Carries out all aspects of procurement processes, as requested (drafting Terms of Reference, launching tenders, taking part in tender evaluations); Direct liaison with external contractors as needed, reviewing outputs and providing recommendations.
- Represent the organization in meetings and events, as requested, including the delivery of technical presentations.
- Monitoring projects tracked under the UfM portfolio on SBE closely, in line with the mandate of the UfM Ministerial Declarations on SBE and the related Roadmaps/Action plans.
- Supports the identification and promotion for UfM labelling of relevant SBE Initiatives/projects, monitoring the SBE projects' work plans and preparing the related six-monthly progress reports in coordination with the promoters.
- Ensures appropriate linkages with the UfM's Environment/Green Economy dossier in line with the UfM Work Programme.
- Ensures daily dissemination/amplification and communication activities, including through the Mediterranean Blue Economy Stakeholder Platform (MedBESP), drafting web news and UfM SBE newsletters, and keeping track of the indicators agreed for reporting to donors.
- Supports any other tasks called for by the Secretariat and contributes to the improvement of working methods.

QUALIFICATIONS, SKILLS AND RELEVANT EXPERIENCE:

Minimum requirements:

- Be a national of a member state of the UfM;
- University Degree (Master or equivalent) in Economics / Science/ Political Science / Management and Law applied to the sea, or any other relevant field of relevance to the Blue Economy;
- At least 5 years of proven experience in international/regional/subregional programme management and coordination;



- At least 3 years' experience in policy development and implementation in any field related to sustainable blue economy , particularly with a cross-sectorial approach and in cross-border contexts;
- A good knowledge of the Mediterranean region and, even better, of the regional marine/maritime affairs;
- Proven knowledge and professional experience in project management; experience in working in projects funded by the European Union as well as international 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 + fluency in another UfM language (preferably French), both orally and in writing.

Desirable requirement :

- 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.

2. Submission of applications:

To apply, you need to complete the [application form on the website](#) and include the following information and documents:

- A **detailed curriculum vitae in English (pdf version only)** clearly elaborating educational and professional experience relevant for the position. **Please note it is mandatory to choose a file name that includes your name i.e. "Name Surname-CV".**
- A **motivation letter in English (pdf version only)** including a clear mention of the profile applied for and full postal address. **Please note it is mandatory to choose a file name that includes your name i.e. "Name Surname-cover letter".**

Please, do not send any supporting documents (i.e.: copies of ID-card, educational certificates, evidence of previous professional experience etc.) with the application at this stage.

3. Submission Date:

Complete applications must be submitted by **14 June 2026 (midnight, European time, GMT+2)**.



4. Selection Process

Complete applications are evaluated in terms of experience, education and skills. The Selection process for eligible candidates consists of a competency-based interviews and possible technical test. Based on the selection process progress, an additional selection step might be added.

5. Conditions

Based on candidates' qualifications and experiences, the UfM Secretariat reserves the right to appoint the selected candidate at a lower grade and/or step than the ones advertised in the above call for candidatures.

Protection of personal data - Privacy notice

The UfMS, as the body responsible for organizing the selection process, will ensure that Candidates' personal data are processed with greatest care and confidentiality. This applies in particular to the security of such data. Personal data shall be processed solely for the purpose of the selection procedure. Candidates are free to give their data on voluntary basis, although failure to respond with any further information requested will exclude the concerned candidate automatically from the recruitment procedure. Thus, Candidates give an explicit consent by submitting their candidatures for their processing, which constitutes a complimentary ground for lawfulness of data processing, notably with regard to sensitive data.

Should any Candidate have any query concerning the processing of her/his personal data, she/he shall address it to the following address: hr@ufmsecretariat.org.