

PROJECT COORDINATOR FOR THE OSPAR COMMISSION'S REGIONAL ACTION PLAN ON MARINE LITTER (1-YEAR POST VACANT FROM NOVEMBER 2017, WITH THE POTENTIAL FOR AN ADDITIONAL 2 YEARS DEPENDING ON FUNDING)

CLOSING DATE FOR APPLICATIONS: 22 September 2017

The post is open to nationals of the Contracting Parties to the OSPAR Convention: Belgium, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Iceland, Ireland, Luxembourg, the Netherlands, Norway, Portugal, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland and the United Kingdom and nationals of any other State which is a Member State of the European Union.

1. Applications are invited from suitably qualified candidates for the post of Project Coordinator for OSPAR's Regional Action Plan on Marine Litter (RAP) in the Secretariat of the OSPAR Commission. This is a 1-year post, with the potential for an additional 2 years depending on funding, vacant from November 2017 and subject to an initial three-month probation period. The post is based in London.
2. The OSPAR Regional Action Plan for prevention and management of marine litter in the North-East Atlantic was adopted by OSPAR in 2014. The Regional Action Plan aims to prevent and reduce marine litter pollution in the North-East Atlantic for both land and sea based sources, including its impact on marine organisms, habitats, public health and safety and reduce the socio-economic costs it causes.
3. The Project Coordinator will be expected to make himself/herself familiar with the full range of the activities related to the RAP. This will mean both understanding the detail of the individual actions outlined in the plan, as well as OSPAR marine litter monitoring and assessments, which will be used as evidence for measures.
4. The work will involve liaising with Contracting Party Action Leads, who remain responsible for the actions, and supporting their implementation. This would include:
 - ensuring coordination and synergy between the implementation of different RAP actions;
 - supporting Action Leads in the development and implementation of RAP actions;
 - providing administrative and technical support for the organisation of meetings and workshops in relation to the RAP actions;
 - supporting information collection processes (e.g. questionnaires, literature searches, etc.);
 - undertaking the drafting of technical reports, where possible;
 - supporting stakeholder dialogues with specific industries addressed by RAP actions;
 - ensuring collaboration with other Regional Seas Convention Secretariats;
 - presenting progress on the OSPAR RAP at appropriate external fora.
5. The Project Coordinator will attend the meetings of the OSPAR Intersessional Group on Marine Litter (ICG-ML) and the Environmental Impacts of Human Activities (EIHA) Committee to provide updates on the implementation of the RAP, in conjunction with the Co-Conveners of ICG-ML.
6. A complete job description can be obtained from the Commission's website:

<http://www.ospar.org/organisation/vacancies>