

JOB OFFER: Assistant Programme Specialist for the IOC_SPINCAM project

Flanders UNESCO Science Trust fund (FUST) is an operational program under the overall agreement between UNESCO and the Government of Flanders(Belgium).



SPINCAM(SOUTHEAST PACIFIC DATA AND INFORMATION NETWORK IN SUPPORT TO INTEGRATED COASTAL AREA MANAGEMENT) is a project under the FUST scheme, an initiative proposed by IOC to be implemented under the guidance of the ICAM program in cooperation with the IODE Program (see <http://ioc-unesco.org/>).

*The Project aims to establish an **ICAM indicator framework** in each country of the Southeast Pacific region (**Chile, Colombia, Ecuador, Panama and Peru**), focused on environmental and socio-economic conditions within the context of sustainable development and integrated coastal area management.*

Further information can be obtained from <http://www.spincamnet.org/>

Post title : **Assistant Programme Specialist**

Organizational unit : **UNESCO Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission (IOC)**

Duty station : **Paris, France**

Grade : **P-2**

Duration : **2 years**

Main responsibilities

Under the overall authority of the Director-General and under the supervision of the Assistant Director-General for the Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission (ADG/IOC), the incumbent will assist with the implementation of the work programme of the IOC Integrated Coastal Area Management (ICAM) Programme, and specifically will support the implementation of the Southeast Pacific Data and Information Network in support to Integrated Coastal Area Management (SPINCAM) – phase II.

The incumbent will specifically:

- (i) Assist with the overall coordination of the SPINCAM project, in close consultation with the project partners, CPPS, Govt. of Flanders, and the project national focal points; by ensuring regular communication and organizing the project steering committee meetings and other relevant coordination meetings; monitor the implementation of the project workplan and assist with the preparation of the relevant project documentation and reports;
- (ii) Provide technical assistance in the implementation of the SPINCAM project activities, particularly those relevant to the development of coastal indicators, the development of national and regional web-based coastal atlases and the implementation of capacity building activities (training course, technical seminars, etc);
- (iii) Assist with the development of new partnership with other organizations, related to the development of indicator-based products to measure the state of the coast and other related marine assessment activities, especially in Europe, the Mediterranean and Latin America;
- (iv) Contribute to implementation of the IOC ICAM Programme high level objectives, and in particular to activities leading to the increase of Member States' capacity in responding to change and challenges in coastal and marine environments through further development of science based

management tools such as Integrated Coastal Area Management (ICAM), Marine Spatial Planning (MSP), Ecosystem-Based Management (EBM), and Large Marine Ecosystem (LME);

(v) Assist with the development and implementation of new extra-budgetary projects related to ICAM and ecosystem-based management interventions, in response to regional needs identified through IOC Regional Subsidiary Bodies, and other relevant mechanisms;

Qualification and experience

- Higher university degree in the field of marine or ecological sciences, coastal management, earth sciences, geography (Master and above)
- At least 5 years' relevant professional experience in the areas of relevance to the above responsibilities, in an international context
- Proven skills in management and execution of projects including experience in science issues related to IOC's fields of competence. Technical skills in Geographic Information Systems (GIS) or Computer Science (specializing in spatial mapping) or data management or other relevant and related areas in the context of marine management will be highly regarded.
- Good computer skills (Word, Excel, PowerPoint) and knowledge of relevant GIS softwares.
- Excellent command of written and spoken English and good working knowledge of Spanish.

Competencies

- Excellent research, analytical and problem solving ability, including taking part in the resolution of issues and in the application of good judgement. Very good inter-personal skills and ability to maintain effective partnerships and working relations within a multi-cultural environment; ability to work collaboratively as part of a team to achieve organisational goals.
- Ability to plan own work and manage conflicting priorities; work under pressure.
- Ability to write and speak clearly and effectively, including the ability to draft reports in a concise style and communicate complex scientific information to a broader audience – via visual, written and verbal modes.

Conditions of employment

- Starting date: As soon as possible
- Contract with a salary scale according to the terms and conditions of UNESCO for a P-2 grade
- Additional benefits: according to UNECO regulations
- Travelling will be required

Location: UNESCO Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission

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To apply:

Please send your cover letter and CV to dr. Rudy HERMAN, FUST manager, UNESCO/IOC_IODE Project Office, Wandelaarkaai 7/61, B-8400 Oostende, Belgium before Friday 28 March 2012.