

Post Title: MSPglobal Data and Information Consultant for the West Mediterranean

Domain: IOC

Organizational Unit: Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission

Primary Location: Western Mediterranean

Recruitment open to: Internal / External

Type of contract: Consultant

Monthly salary: From 2500 USD (Depending on skills)

Deadline (*midnight, Paris time*): **14 June 2019**

OVERVIEW OF THE FUNCTIONS OF THE POST

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 technical activities at the IOC Marine Policy and Regional Coordination Section within the context of the Project MSPglobal co-financed by the European Commission – Directorate General of Maritime Affairs and Fisheries.

The incumbent will specifically:

- Compile existing data and information on current ecological, physical and socio-economic aspects for both coastal and marine areas in support of the pre-planning regional process in the context of the Western Mediterranean (Algeria, France, Italy, Malta, Morocco, Spain and Tunisia)
- Analyse spatial data quality and availability to develop the preplanning phase of marine spatial planning in the area of the pilot project. Including sector/activity status and trends.
- Create a spatial data infrastructure with a repository of coastal and marine data and information of the Western Mediterranean to be integrated into the MSPglobal Knowledge Platform.
- Produce cartography of important biological and ecological areas and current human activities within the limits of the pilot case study.
- Produce cartographic assessment of conflicts and compatibilities amongst human uses and in between human uses and the environment.
- Develop a trend scenario illustrating how the MSP area will look if present conditions continue without new management interventions, providing as well alternative spatial sea use scenarios, illustrating how the management area might look when human activities are redistributed based on new goals and objectives agreed in between the countries.
- Contribute to events, trainings, meeting reports and the regular reporting of activities to the head of the MPR Section and MSPglobal Project Coordinator.
- Assist the Project Coordinator with the production of project outreach, translations and marketing materials related to the task of this contract in the languages of the region (Arabic, English, French and Spanish).
- Assist the Project Coordinator in any other related activity that may be assigned by the Management Team.

REQUIRED QUALIFICATIONS

EDUCATION

- The consultant should hold a postgraduate degree in marine/coastal resources management, environmental sciences, biological sciences, geological sciences or equivalent combined with the use of information/data management tools.

WORK EXPERIENCE

- At least 3 years of relevant experience with data and information management, analysis and exploitation through
- **SKILLS/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.
- Demonstrated ability to conceptualize issues and analyse data to compile and synthesize information in coherent and succinct formats;
- Excellent coordination and negotiation skills;
- Specific knowledge on marine/maritime spatial planning, integrated coastal area management, sustainable blue economy and other environmental aspects.
- Demonstrated experience in the development and design of components and functionalities for environmental information systems and decision support tools within a shared information context.
- High attention to detail and ability to work under tight deadlines;

LANGUAGES

- Excellent knowledge of **English and French**. Knowledge of Spanish and Arabic will be an asset.

BENEFITS AND ENTITLEMENTS

This is a consultant contract for 6 months (including a probationary period of 2 month) and is not renewable. The appointment is non-career and does not carry any expectancy of renewal or conversion to another contract. Medical health care is not provided.

HOW TO APPLY

Please submit a full CV (using the UNESCO template at http://uis.unesco.org/sites/default/files/documents/unesco-cv-form_pa-ft_0.pdf), a motivation letter, a proposed work plan for the activities included in this ToR, proof of language knowledge, three references from different countries and/or institutions that may be contacted, to: MSPglobal@unesco.org by 14 June 2019 (23.59h, Paris time).

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