

## Project Manager Natural Resources Economics & Policy

### THE ORGANISATION

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ACTeon is a French-based human size (20 staff) research and consultancy company that support climate and ecological transition in Europe. It is specialised in the “soft” components of transition, i.e. social values & perceptions, socio-economic values of ecosystem’s services, incentives (knowledge, processes, economic instruments) steering behaviour change, forward looking studies, policy (*ex-ante* and *ex-post*) evaluation and impact assessment, governance, and mediation & communication. ACTeon is providing support to policy development, implementation and evaluation at different scales (from local to European) in the field of marine resources, water, biodiversity, climate change and adaptation, agriculture and the environment, renewable energy, etc. The geographic focus of activities includes France, Europe (other European countries & EU level initiatives), the Mediterranean Sea and the Caucasus regions. For more information: [www.acteon-environment.eu](http://www.acteon-environment.eu)

### THE POSITION

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ACTeon is looking for a **Project Manager in Natural Resources Economics and Policy** to take a lead role in the development and implementation of projects dealing with the sustainable management of natural resources both inland and at sea. The main tasks relevant to the position include:

- To carry out **socio-economic studies** addressing in particular: the direct and indirect (micro and macro) economic impacts of natural resource strategies and policies, societal values of ecosystem services, pathways to resilience, the role of economic instruments in supporting sustainable practices, drivers to behavior change that deliver climate and ecological transition....;
- To contribute to **ex-ante** and **ex-post evaluations** and **impact assessments**, as well as **forward looking studies**, that accompany the **development and implementation** of sustainable and resilient strategies for the development, use and protection of natural resources and ecosystems at **different territorial scales** (local, national, regional sea, Europe, international);
- To develop and carry out **research activities (under current H2020 and future Horizon Europe framework)**, addressing within wider multi-disciplinary approaches and in an innovative manner, the thematic areas listed above in terms of issues addressed, methods applied, tools tested, processes developed...;
- To develop **capacity building & communication** for raising awareness and building capacity of a wide range of stakeholders and decision makers at different scales;
- To organize and facilitate **multi-stakeholder events** (workshops, seminars, trainings... including online) that support the development of shared knowledge and co-built strategies and policies delivering climate and ecological transition.

The successful candidate will contribute to/be able to develop **areas of work beyond the thematic areas mentioned above**. She/he will actively contribute to the development of ACTeon while developing new activities responding to domains of particular personal interest. Support to consultancy and research addressing **other disciplines and domains** (e.g. governance, anthropic pressures on ecosystems, science-policy interface...) is expected.

This position requires an excellent **team & collective spirit, social skills, autonomy, initiative**, intellectual **curiosity** and the capacity to contribute to **complex projects** in an European context.

## THE QUALIFICATIONS REQUIRED

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- **Minimum M.Sc.** in the economics of natural resources or in the management of natural resources/agriculture/political science with specialisation in socio-economic aspects, or in (agricultural) economics with a clear environmental/climate focus;
- **Minimum 5 year** experience in (policy) advise and/or consultancy and/or research in the socio-economic dimensions of natural resource management and policy. Experience in supporting the development, implementation and evaluation of **climate and ecological transition strategies and policies** at regional, national or European scales, in particular with **public policy evaluation** and (*ex-ante* and *ex-post*) assessments of the **social and economic impacts of public policies**, is seen as an advantage;
- An excellent understanding of **institutions and policies** relevant to the sustainable management of natural resources in Europe and beyond (e.g. WFD, Biodiversity Strategy, MSFD, instruments of the CAP/CFP supporting climate and ecological transition, etc.). Experience and keen interest in “connecting” issues and policies (e.g. land-sea interaction, fresh water & marine waters, circular economy... ) are seen as an advantage;
- Experience in the **collection** (via data extraction from public datasets, stakeholder interviews, facilitation of focus groups, surveys...) and (qualitative and/or quantitative) **analysis of data**.
- Experiences, skills and appetite for the **facilitation** (including online) of **multi-stakeholder processes** at different territorial scales;
- Excellent **French & English (written & oral) communication** skills. A third EU language is seen as an advantage.

## ADMINISTRATIVE & WORKING ARRANGEMENTS

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The position is a *Contrat à Durée Indéterminée* (CDI) or *Contrat à Durée Déterminée* (CDD, duration to be agreed) in accordance with the French regulation in terms of social security, holidays, etc. Confirmation of the appointment will take place after a two-month probation period (renewable once). It is a full-time position, which annual salary is based on qualifications and experience of the candidate and on the salary grid of ACTeon.

The position can be located in Colmar (France – 30 minutes by public transport from Strasbourg or Basel) or Grenoble. Teleworking is currently practiced. The position will require short term travel abroad.

Expected starting date: June 2021

The successful candidate will be a part of young and inspiring team of 20 professionals working in a wide range of collaborative research and consultancy projects involving partner organisations from different (mainly EU) countries. She/he will be involved in/coordinate projects implemented in France (local, regional and national scales) and in European-wide projects, including work for the European Commission.

## HOW to APPLY?

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You can send **your application via email** with (a) a **cover letter**, (b) a recent **Europass CV** and (c) names and email addresses of **three references**, by **April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2021** to:

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