

Project Manager Ocean Policy & Governance

THE ORGANISATION

ACTeon is a French-based human size (20 staff) research and consultancy company active in the field of ecological and climate transition in Europe. It is specialised in the "soft" components of environmental management and policy, i.e. social values & perceptions, economics including economic values of ecosystem's services, incentives (knowledge, processes, economic instruments) to steer change in behaviour, prospective and policy (*ex-ante* and *ex-post*) evaluation, governance & institutions, 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 its activities includes France, Europe, the Mediterranean Sea and the Caucasus regions. For more information: www.acteon-environment.eu

THE POSITION

ACT*eon* is looking for a **Project Manager** in **Ocean Policy & Governance** to take a lead role in the development and implementation of initiatives **supporting ecological and climate transition delivering a sustainable, resilient and healthy ocean**. As part of our ocean/marine team, you will:

- Develop, manage and coordinate projects and initiatives that set the necessary conditions (in terms of regulation, policy delivery mechanisms, knowledge & innovation, people's mindsets...) to deliver a sustainable, resilient and healthy ocean;
- Carry out critical assessments, ex-ante and ex-post evaluations of ocean/marine strategies and policies addressing in particular social and economic challenges, governance & stakeholder mobilization, policy coherence as well as novel mechanisms that can drive "good practice" and change of behavior for different target groups;
- Organize, develop and/or contribute to advocacy, communication & literacy campaigns and activities for different target groups (including decision makers) at different scales;
- Contribute to the organization and facilitation of **multi-stakeholder events** (conferences, workshops, seminars, training, hackathon... including online) and **processes** that support the strengthening of skills as well as the development of shared knowledge, initiatives and strategies.

This position requires an excellent **team & collective spirit**, **social skills**, **autonomy**, intellectual **curiosity**, **rigour**, **creativity**, a sense of **initiative** and the capacity to transform inspiring and innovative ideas into concrete projects and activities.

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 activities responding to domains of personal interest. Support to consultancy and research addressing **other environmental domains** (e.g. climate change, biodiversity, water...) is expected.



THE QUALIFICATIONS REQUIRED

- Minimum M.Sc. on topics related/relevant to the management of marine ecosystems including from human science (social/economic/political) and knowledge system (innovation, science-policy interface), perspectives;
- Minimum 3 year experience in (policy) advise and/or consultancy and/or research in the field of
 ocean/marine protection and policy. Experience in the development and management of research &
 consultancy (including EU) projects is seen as an advantage;
- An excellent understanding of institutions, stakeholders and policies (e.g. MSFD, MSP, CFP, Blue Economy, climate change...) relevant to the sustainable use and protection of marine ecosystems in France and Europe. Experience in specific maritime sectors & innovation as well as policy integration is 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 organization and facilitation of multi-stakeholder processes/events (including online) and of advocacy/communication campaigns. Strong networking and relationship skills expected;
- Excellent French & English (written & oral) communication skills. A third EU language is seen as an advantage.

ADMINISTRATIVE & WORKING ARRANGEMENTS

The **position** is a *Contrat à Durée Indéterminée* (CDI) or *Contrat à Durée Déterminée* (project-based 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 is located in **Colmar** (France – 30 minutes by public transport from Strasbourg or Basel), with (partial) teleworking being part of ACTeon's current working arrangements. The position requires short term travel abroad (mainly in Europe).

Starting date (tentative): October 2023

The successful candidate will be a part of an inspiring **team** of 20 professionals working in a wide range of collaborative research and consultancy projects mobilizing (research, consultancy, public bodies, civil society...) partners from different European communities of practice.

HOW to APPLY?

Please send your application via email by September 10th, 2023 with: (i) a cover letter; (ii) a recent Europass CV; and (iii) names and email addresses of three references, to jobs2023@acteon-environment.eu

For an informal chat on the position and on ACTeon's working philosophy and environment, please contact **Olga Mashkina**, senior ocean expert, at: o.mashkina@acteon-environment.eu