

VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

MARINE BIODIVERSITY INTERN IUCN MEDITERRANEAN MARINE PROGRAMME

Duty station:	IUCN Centre for Mediterranean Cooperation, Malaga, Spain
Reporting to:	Marine Biodiversity Specialist of the Global Marine Programme
Expected start date:	October 29, 2007, 6 months initially, with possibility of extension for another 6 months

INTRODUCTION

The World Conservation Union (IUCN) is seeking a motivated individual to join its Mediterranean Marine Program to address Marine Biodiversity and Conservation issues. The post will be based in Malaga, Spain and it will be supervised technically by Dr. Ameer Abdulla, Marine Biodiversity Specialist of the Global Marine Program.

The Assistant / Intern will assist in implementing an IUCN Mediterranean Marine Biodiversity Program. The Program is a multi-disciplinary, multi-institutional effort to develop innovative Marine Research and Conservation for Biodiversity of the Mediterranean Sea. This program is implemented by regional research and management institutions in partnership with the global technical working groups of IUCN (include the Species Survival Commission, the World Commission on Protected Areas, and the Ecosystem Management Commission). The overall aim is to build a globally linked, regionally implemented conservation and management program based on sound marine science and policy. The Marine Biodiversity Intern will support the development and the implementation of work at the regional level to meet the strategic goals defined for the Marine Programme in partnership with key IUCN members and regional organisations.

TECHNICAL RESPONSIBILITIES

- ? Assisting in organizing and undertaking Centre initiatives and activities relevant to the Marine Biodiversity Group
 - o Undertaking tasks to ensure the effective implementation of the programme
 - o Activities will relate to Marine Reserves and Protected Areas, Understanding Impacts to Marine Biodiversity, and Developing Marine Biodiversity Offsets
- ? Communicating effectively and persuasively, orally and in writing
 - o Drafting and publishing project reports in appropriate languages and feeding results into IUCN communication outputs.
 - o Updating webpage of the Marine Biodiversity Group

- ? Assisting in enhancing and maintaining the library of the Marine Biodiversity Group
 - o Entering titles in the library-database and regular updating with latest scientific and technical literature

REQUIREMENTS

The successful candidate will either hold or be near gaining a Bachelors of Science (Bsc.) or Arts (BA) in some area of marine biology / ecology, conservation, policy, or resource management; environmental science, geography, resource dependency, social resilience, or socio-economics of coastal communities preferably with some experience in developing countries. Candidates must demonstrate excellent written and spoken Spanish, French, English, Arabic, or a combination of at least two. Experience in team-based, multidisciplinary, international research, fundraising, coordination, and management is a plus. Computer literacy (word processing, spreadsheets, powerpoint) are expected with statistical and or spatial analysis skills a plus.

APPLICATIONS

Interested candidates who meet the qualification requirements are requested to submit at the latest by **October 19th, 2007** their curriculum vitae, a supporting letter of motivation in English, and the names and contact details of two referees, including one recent employer.

Applications by email are preferred. They should be sent **only** to the following email address:

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