

Scientific advisor on international marine conservation

The **German Federal Agency for Nature Conservation (BfN)** is seeking applicants for the position of a **scientific advisor on international marine conservation**. This is a 2,5-year contract, with a flexible starting date, between June and August 2008. Applicants will perform most of their job duties in English. The successful candidate will work in the offices of the BfN, on the Isle of Vilm in the Baltic Sea, and should therefore be willing to relocate to this region in Northeast Germany for the duration of the contract.

Tasks will focus on marine protection within the OSPAR Convention, with a particular emphasis on high seas protection within the Convention Area in the Northeast Atlantic. The position entails some travel, particularly to OSPAR meetings, which are generally held in Northern Europe.

It is expected that applicants would have the following skills and qualifications:

- an advanced degree (masters or doctorate) in **marine science** or **marine environmental science**;
- at least five years work experience in marine conservation;
- understanding of deep sea biology / ecology an asset;
- experience in policy development;
- fluent written and spoken English (proficiency in German is an asset but not required);
- experience in public speaking
- capability in common office computer programmes (e.g. Word, Excel, Access);
- GIS skills an asset but not required.

Interested applicants are requested to send a resume, copies of the relevant educational degrees, CV and photograph and covering letter to:

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Electronic submissions only, please. Closing date for applications is: **25. April 2008**