

Seville, 17 March 2023

Senior Advisor for the Coordination and Management of Research and Innovation Activities

Vacancy – Terms of Reference

A. Job description

JOB TITLE: Senior Advisor for the Coordination and Management of Research and Innovation Activities (SEA-COM)

PURPOSE: The SEA-COM will provide guidance on research and innovation matters and support their coordination and management at the LifeWatch ERIC ICT-Core, involving regional, national, EU and international scales

LOCATION: LifeWatch ERIC ICT-Core premises in Spain

POSITION: Full-time

FUNDING RESOURCES: Horizon Europe Projects; LifeWatch ERIC ICT-Core in Spain - Andalusia ERDF Projects

TYPE OF CONTRACT: Open-ended contract

B. Main responsibilities

I. S/he will work under the supervision of, and always directly report to, the Chief Technology Officer and Director of the ICT-Core, and whoever he may delegate.

II. S/he will occupy a position that mostly requires senior skills in relation to the above, i.e., the coordination and management of the following activities:

- i. The identification, federation, and consolidation of relevant Research Communities-of-Practice based in the Kingdom of Spain and already engaged in Biodiversity and

Ecosystem Research & Sustainable Management activities co-developed with the CF.ES-ICT-Core;

- ii. Promote new activities and facilitate their connection with European and international platforms and initiatives aiming to enhance their scientific and technical excellence and their economic and operational sustainability;
- iii. Facilitate the liaison of those activities with the needs of policy makers in Spanish Public Administrations (local to national), and with LifeWatch ERIC's requirements upon demand of its Executive Board's decisions;
- iv. Support the establishment of the LifeWatch Spain Distributed Centre, when explicitly requested by the Spanish Authorities signatories of the "*Convenio Tripartito LifeWatch Española*", being based on, and in order to consolidate, the efforts already performed by the JRU LW.ES duly funded by the Andalusia ERDF, among other resources.

C. The ideal candidate should meet the following requirements:

- University Degree in Biology or Environmental Sciences;
- PhD in Biology or Environmental Sciences;
- Accredited knowledge and professional experience on the assessment of environmental risks and impacts of air pollution on biota, and of the environmental impacts of the agri-food sector;
- Accredited experience on science policy matters through participation in international frameworks related to the definition of pollutant toxicity thresholds;
- Accredited managerial experience in the Spanish Public Central Administration ("*Administración General del Estado*" – AGE) by leading research groups and administrative units related to international research infrastructures and the establishment of ERICs;

- Accredited experience in leading research and innovation programmes at both national and European level;
- Fluent level in written and spoken English (LifeWatch ERIC's official language) and Spanish (ICT-Core premises hosted by the Kingdom of Spain);
- Proven organisation and communication skills, proactive, capacity to work in teams and to tight deadlines, in international environments;
- Availability to travel abroad according to the specific working needs of this position;
- High-standard work ethic.

ASSETS

- (Co-)authorship of scientific research and dissemination publications related to environmental pollution topics;
- Membership of and having held positions of high responsibility in International Scientific Committees;
- Understanding of the structure, functioning and regulation of European Research Infrastructure Consortia (ERICs), in particular those related to the biodiversity and environmental domains.

D. The vacancy is subject to the following procedure

- A **short covering letter** and **Curriculum Vitae**¹ (EUROPASS format and annexes, 6 pages at the most) shall be submitted to the Chief Technology Officer and Director of the ICT-

¹Special note for Italian market: According to Italian Privacy Protection Law n. 196/03 any resume not mentioning explicitly the following wording: 'I authorise the use of my personal data in accordance with Italian Privacy Protection Law (30/06/2003, n. 196/03)' will be automatically deleted from our database and consequently not taken into consideration.

Core at cto@lifewatch.eu and in cc to [hiring@lifewatch.eu](mailto: hiring@lifewatch.eu) by **3 April 2023**. Please write "**SEA-COM Candidature**" in the email subject;

- The selection process will follow the Employment Policy of LifeWatch ERIC;
- S/he will be appointed full-time. A competitive gross salary, based on the qualifications and experience of the candidate, will be offered. Employment will be in Spain, follow Spanish employment law and be subject to a 180-day trial (probation) period;
- Her/his main offices will be located at the LifeWatch ERIC ICT-Core premises in Madrid and Seville (Spain), without prejudice of the establishment of others in the future;
- Start date in office for the appointed person: **May 2023**.

LifeWatch ERIC is an equal opportunity employer, and encourages all qualified candidates to apply, regardless of race, gender, age, national origin, or sexual orientation.