Vacancy details

Call for position of Senior Advisor at the EMSO ERIC (European Multidisciplinary Seafloor and Water-Column Observatory European Research Infrastructure Consortium) Central Management Office (CMO).

The European Multidisciplinary Seafloor and water-column Observatory (EMSO) is a Research Infrastructure at fixed-point monitoring connecting European marine research facilities: from the Arctic through North Atlantic, to the Mediterranean and the Black Sea. It currently comprises fifteen Regional facilities including three shallow water test sites (see www.emso.eu for details).

EMSO is a European Institution set up as an ERIC (European Research Infrastructure Consortium) by decision of the European Commission (September 29, 2016). Its Members are currently States from the European Union although it is open to other external members.

Application deadline: 1st July 2022

Estimated starting date: 14th July 2022

Type of contract: professional consulting contract.

Required effort: 4.5 person/month/year

Duration: 12 months, renewable one time for additional 12 months - by consent of both parties - at latest 2 months before the end of the first 12 months contract.

Gross remuneration: 40,000 Euro inclusive of all contributions required by Italian tax and social security regulations for the above-mentioned professional consulting contract type. Mission allowances, authorized travel expenses and travel subsistence cost are to be reimbursed by EMSO ERIC

Employer: EMSO ERIC

Location: EMSO ERIC Headquarters in Rome, Italy
Job Profile:

EMSO ERIC is seeking candidates for the position of Senior Advisor, whose main responsibility will be to contribute to the deployment of EMSO R&D Projects. R&D projects are normally performed by EMSO ERIC in cooperation with the EMSO ERIC Regional facilities, the European Research Institutions or other similar entities.

In addition, the successful candidate will closely work with the EMSO ERIC Director General and is expected to:

- Support the DG in identifying opportunities to implement EMSO strategy and, in particular within the Horizon Europe Framework Program, the National Recovery and Resilience Plan (Piano Nazionale di Ripresa e Resilienza, NRRP and the Next Generation EU (NGEU) program, and contribute to R&D projects development in the drafting of proposals.
- Advice on technical activities to be carried out following the approval of the Service Level Agreements (SLAs) as well as provide expertise to the EMSO ERIC deliverable services catalogue.
- Promote appropriate EMSO seminars, conferences and other events aiming at creating full awareness of EMSO scientific and technological value.
- Provide strategic and operational advice to the DG within the on-going R&D projects and support the submission of funds applications at national and European level.

Required qualifications & competencies

- Degree in technological subjects relevant to EMSO ERIC scope of activities.
- Experience in EU Research and Innovation funding programmes, EU Research Infrastructures/ National Agencies.
- Documented experience and networking capabilities in the management of relations with Italian, European and International R&D Agencies.
- Deep knowledge of international marine research institutions, organizations, infrastructures and other relevant bodies.
- Minimum 10-year experience in similar position.
- Excellent knowledge of written and spoken Italian and English; proficiency in other European Languages is also well received.
- Understanding of structure, functioning and regulation of the European Research Infrastructure Consortia (ERICs).
- Ability to coordinate the efforts of teams internationally.
Desirable Skills and Competencies

- Experience in the deployment and reporting on EU R&I policies.
- Proficiency in Italian and other European languages.

Personal Attributes desired for the Position

- Strong interpersonal abilities.
- Rigorous approach to work schedules and deadline.

Working Conditions

- The main place of work will be EMSO ERIC Headquarters in Rome, Italy.
- Due to the pandemic, smart working is expected to continue as common working practice.
- Work can be occasionally requested online during some weekends and holidays.
- Work development might occasionally be requested according to short notice deadlines.

Selection Procedure

Application

Applicants should send
i. a letter with the motivation to join EMSO ERIC along with his/her CV summarizing relevant experience and expertise.
ii. names and contact information of at least two references.
iii. CV along with a cover.

Applicants must declare to have a clean criminal record.

Interview

The selected candidates will be notified and invited to participate in an individual interview to be held either in person or online. In the interview, the candidate will be asked to carry out hands-on test to assess his/her technical competence.

Application Deadlines

i) Applications should be submitted not later than 01-07-2022 (by midnight Rome local time) by email to recruitment@emso-eu.org, addressed to the Director General of the EMSO ERIC, with the following subject heading: “Senior Advisor”.

ii) Any specific enquiries about this job posting should be sent to recruitment@emso-eu.org, specifying the term of the sought position.
iii) The final outcome of the selection is expected to be communicated to all final-round candidates by July 8th 2022.

Applications for the position are encouraged from citizens of the European Union and Associated Countries.