

Forest Science and Technology Centre of Catalonia (CTFC) is a research centre affiliated with the Generalitat de Catalunya (the Catalan government), and it reports to the Ministry responsible for forest issues.

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# Recruitment for the coordination of the UNESCO Centre for Mediterranean Biosphere Reserves

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The Forest Science and Technology Centre of Catalonia (CTFC), located in Solsona (Pre-Pyrenees, 120 km from Barcelona), Spain, employs app. 160 staff, produces >100 scientific articles annually and has a turnover of app. 7 Mil. €/year. Further institutional information is available at: www.ctfc.cat/en

The CTFC is looking for a person with a higher degree specialised on the coordination of an international project related to the Mediterranean Network of Biosphere Reserves (MedMaB) and the UNESCOMED Category 2 Centre under the auspices of UNESCO.

## TERMS OF THE APPOINTMENT

- 1. This contract may start on July 2024 (start could be advanced if available).
- 2. It is a full-time position with a duration of 1 year (with possibility of contract extension).
- 3. The candidate will be based at CTFC in Solsona (NE Spain).
- 4. Based on CTFC labour categories, annual gross salary will be adjusted to the foreseen role and will be commensurated with the specific profile of the selected candidate (qualifications and experience).
- 5. Domestic and international travels are expected punctually.

# **KEY RESPONSABILITIES / TASKS**

The successful candidate is expected to:

- 1. Coordinate the UNESCOMED Category 2 Centre.
- 2. Coordinate the work team and the strategy for the implementation of the MedMaB Thematic Network.
- 3. Establishment of relationships and new contacts at international and Mediterranean level to strengthen institutional and cooperative links between the UNESCOMED Centre, the MedMaB Network and the related institutions.
- 4. Visiting the different BRs to get to know the main stakeholders and identify the issues of interest of each biosphere reserve.
- 5. Organisation of events, training courses and working sessions throughout the year, as well as the "IV Managers Meeting".
- 6. Preparation and attendance to the meetings of the UNESCOMED Governing Board and those of the MedMaB network.
- 7. Identify calls for competitive projects at national, international, and Mediterranean level that match the research interests of the UNESCOMED Centre.



- 8. Coordinate the drafting and editing of the dissemination materials of the BRs that comprise the MedMaB Network, as well as the maintenance of the Centre's website.
- 9. Daily administrative management of the C2C and the Thematic Network, including meetings minutes and the administrative reporting for the periodic reports.

## **BASIC REQUIREMENTS**

- 1. Experience in sustainable development projects of international scope, particularly in Southern Europe and the Mediterranean Region.
- 2. Experience in working with Biosphere Reserves and their stakeholders.
- 3. Experience in the facilitation of environmental and/or international networks and in coordinating work teams.
- 4. Knowledge of projects related to Biosphere Reserves.
- 5. Strong communication skills, writing and reporting skills.
- 6. Readiness to quickly integrate in an established team.
- 7. Analytical skills in gathering and interpreting information.
- 8. Proficiency in English and advanced knowledge of Spanish and French

# **DESIRABLE REQUIREMENTS**

- 1. High Education Studies in environmental sciences or equivalent (especially related to the natural protected areas' management) is an asset.
- 2. Third cycle of university studies: to hold a doctoral degree or to have completed the doctoral thesis before the end of the deadline for submitting the application.
- 3. Research, technical and scientific publications in sustainable territorial management.
- 4. Experience in organising conferences, workshops, scientific dissemination events, training courses and participatory working sessions is an asset.
- 5. Experience in project management (preparation of proposals, budgeting, and/or managing already running projects) is an asset.
- 6. Ability to engage with stakeholders. Experience in Multi-Actor Projects/Initiatives is an asset.
- 7. Experience in environmental communication will be valued, as well as experience in editing environmental and scientific dissemination documents, web content and social networks.
- 8. Knowledge of other Mediterranean languages is an asset.

## **SOFT COMPETENCES / SKILLS**

- 1. Planning and organisational capacity.
- 2. Capacity for team working in multidisciplinary and multicultural environments.
- 3. Communication abilities and relationship with the internal and external staff.
- 4. Responsible person with high degree of involvement and initiative.
- 5. Flexibility and adaptability to different type of tasks.
- 6. Proactive and independent worker.
- 7. Availability to travel.



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### **SELECTION PROCESS AND CRITERIA**

The selection process is led by the Human Resources of CTFC. This process consists of:

- Admission of candidates: applicants must submit a curriculum vitae and motivation letter addressed to <u>borsa.treball@ctfc.cat</u>, <u>until</u> 3<sup>th</sup> <u>June</u> 2024, indicating the reference code of the offer.
- 2. **Pre-selection:** verification of compliance with the minimum requirements of the offer.
- 3. **Selection (June 2024):** assessment of the preselected candidates by scoring based on objective criteria and interview.
- 4. **Final decision:** in case of finding the suitable person, the election will be formally communicated to him/her, and the identification of the chosen person will be published on CTFC job openings section.

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Indicative Calendar	
15 working days	Publication and dissemination of the job offer: CTFC website, SOC Office and other dissemination channels.
Next 2 working days	Preselection: determination of compliance with the minimum requirements of the offer.  Evaluation of the pre-selected candidacies, through a score based on objective criteria, and suitable pre-selected CVs are forwaded to the Selection Committee for review.  Sending informative mail to CVs not suitable to continue in the process.
Next 2 working days	Selection committee celebration: Interview with the selected suitable candidates.



	Selection Committee Minutes with the selected candidate and the reasons for the selection. Publication in the CTFC job board of the resolution identifying the elected person.  Sending informational Mail to suitable CVs interviewed not selected.
Next 1 working day	Sending to Human Resources the official documentation necessary to process the employment contract, and coordination with the start date of the contract.
July 2024 (approximately)	Start of the contract.