





Open Competition for the appointment to the positon of Project Stakeholder Relationship and Communications Manager (Fixed purpose contract ending on 31st March 2028

The Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage is inviting applications for the above position on the EU Waters of LIFE Integrated Project.

The Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage (DHLGH) is the Government Department responsible for housing and water (including implementation of the River Basin Management Plan for Ireland), physical and spatial planning, local government, weather forecasting and for conserving and managing Ireland's unique heritage for the benefit of present and future generations.

The European Union's EU LIFE programme is part of the EU's funding for environment and climate action. The Waters of LIFE Integrated Project, which is co funded under this programme, aims to help reverse the loss of Ireland's most pristine rivers. The ongoing loss of high status rivers is among the most concerning, protracted and persistent water quality trend in Ireland. The project will operate in 5 demonstration catchments around the country. The locations of these catchments can be found on the project website (www.watersoflife.ie)

The successful applicant will form part of the core project team consisting of the project manager, project administrator, GIS/data manager and senior project scientist. They will provide support to the 5 catchment-based scientists. The main role will be to develop and manage the delivery of stakeholder engagement and communication strategies and initiatives that promote the project's work, deliver engaging messages, help secure project buy in, promote adoption of measures and build and enhance stakeholder relationships.

The successful candidate be required to have significant experience of community/stakeholder engagement and communicating in the areas of water and/or climate and/or biodiversity, along with excellent communication skills with demonstrated ability to explain scientific concepts to a range of different audiences across different media

While home working will be facilitated to a significant extent, the main project office is located in Croom County Limerick and the successful candidate will be required to attend at this location from time to time. The successful candidate will also be required to visit the project demonstration catchments on a relatively frequent basis and to the extent necessary to satisfactorily carry out the duties of the role.

Additional Information

For further information, copies of the Candidate Information Booklets and Application Form for all of the posts please click <u>here</u>.

Employing Department/Authority

Department of Housing, Local Government & Heritage

Recruitment

The Department of Housing, Local Government & Heritage is recruiting for this position under its Recruitment Licence issued by the Commission for Public Service Appointments (CPSA) and in accordance with the CPSA's Code of Practice.

Employing Department/Authority Website

www.gov.ie/housing

Applications

The closing date for applications is 3 PM on Thursday 2nd November 2023.

Applicants should submit completed application forms to recruitment@housing.gov.ie

Please note: Only applications submitted on the official application form will be considered. www.gov.ie/housing/recruitment

Advertising Date 12th October 2023

Closing Date for Applications

3:00 PM on Thursday 2nd November 2023.