

GEOMAR Helmholtz Centre for Ocean Research Kiel is a foundation under public law jointly financed by the Federal Republic of Germany (90%) and the State of Schleswig-Holstein (10%). It is one of the internationally leading institutions in the field of marine research.

Through our research and our commitment to the transfer of knowledge and technology, we contribute significantly to the preservation of the function and protection of the ocean for future generations.

GEOMAR is coordinating an initiative to realize the major international research project FUTURO (Future of Tropical Tropical Upwelling Regions in the Atlantic Ocean), at the center of which is a large-scale one-year field study off West Africa in the tropical North-East Atlantic. The core phase of the project is in the period 2027-2029.

The GEOMAR Directorate and the Scientific Director of the FUTURO initiative are offering the position of a

Scientific Project Manager (m/f/d)

starting at the earliest possible date.

Job Description:

- Planning and preparation of the FUTURO project in close cooperation with the scientific project management, e.g. development and monitoring of a FUTURO roadmap and support in the conception and implementation of the FUTURO projects and field studies
- Regular coordination of project progress with the GEOMAR Directorate
- Planning and monitoring of financial and organisational project initiation, preparation of reports
- Independent coordination and communication with national and international stakeholders
- Identification and support in the acquisition of national and international funding
- Support in the preparation of presentations and publications

Your Profile:

- Completed university degree, preferably in natural sciences
- Several years of professional experience in the field of scientific project management of international (large-scale) projects
- Relevant experience in national and/or international research funding and in the preparation of funding applications
- Experience with professional project management tools (e.g. OpenProject or similar)
- Completed university degree, preferably in natural sciences
- Very good communication skills in German and English; spoken and written
- Willingness to undertake international business trips

Further desirable are:

- Experience in cooperation with African institutions
- French and Portuguese language skills
- Good communication and organisational skills as well as the ability to work independently
- Ability to work in a team, enthusiasm and assertiveness



At a workplace, directly on the Kiel Fjord with many leisure and recreational opportunities, we offer you:

- Good conditions for work-life balance: We offer, among other things, the possibility of
 mobile working and individual working time arrangements, vacation courses for the
 children of our employees, and good support in finding a place in a daycare center at
 the Kiel site
- Support services for professional and personal life situations
- An exciting work environment with the opportunity to provide important impetus for the development of sustainable solutions
- Exciting topics in an international environment
- Work in the field of marine and climate research, a forward-looking area with social significance
- 30 vacation days + additional time off at Christmas Eve and New Year's Eve
- Company pension plan and capital-forming benefits

The position is available for a duration of 24 months. An extension is intended. The salary depends on qualification and could be up to the E13 (TVöD-Bund) of the German tariff for public employees. This is a full-time position. Part-time employment is generally possible within the framework of suitable working time models, provided that the position is filled on a full-time basis. The place of work is GEOMAR in Kiel.

GEOMAR Helmholtz Centre for Ocean Research Kiel seeks to increase the proportion of female scientists and explicitly encourages qualified female academics to apply. GEOMAR is an equal opportunity employer and encourages scientists with disabilities to apply. Qualified disabled applicants will receive preference in the application process.

Please send your application for this post until 20th April 2025 under the following link:

Online application

As soon as the selection procedure has finished, all your application data will be removed according to data protection regulation.

We will be happy to answer your questions by e-mail to the FUTURO Scientific Director, Prof. Dr. Arne Körtzinger (akoertzinger@geomar.de), quoting the keyword "FUTURO Coordination".

For further information on GEOMAR Helmholtz Centre for Ocean Research Kiel or the Helmholtz Association, please visit www.geomar.de or www.helmholtz.de.

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