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Interreg South Baltic Programme 2021–2027

Vacancy announcement

**A new call is open until 9th September 2024 for
Project Officer (2 vacancies)**

Reference: JS-SB/2/2024

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The Programme in a nutshell

The Interreg South Baltic Programme 2021-2027 continues multilateral cross-border cooperation between the coastal regions of five EU Member States: Germany, Denmark, Sweden, Lithuania, and Poland.

Even after more than 30 years of territorial collaboration the Programme demonstrates its relevance, timeliness, and pertinence to the development of the South Baltic area. The current priority and direction of growth is reflected in the Programme motto: **"United by the sea into action for blue and green future – Innovative, Sustainable, Attractive and Active South Baltic"**.

Actions with the focus on economic and environmental development, natural and cultural heritage, and cooperation of different actors in the area are supported by the Programme foremost aiming above all at improving the quality of life of its residents through the blue and green growth of the area. For further information, please visit the website of the Programme: www.southbaltic.eu.

Working in an international environment – the Programme's Joint Secretariat in Gdańsk, Poland

The Joint Secretariat (JS) is responsible for the day-to-day management of the Interreg South Baltic Programme. The team of the Secretariat provides advice to applicants, organises calls for project proposals, assesses submitted funding applications, monitors the progress of running operations and assists the decision-making bodies of the Programme. The JS assists the Managing Authority (MA), the Audit Authority and the Monitoring Committee of the Programme in carrying out their respective duties. The Programme's working language is English.

Aimed at spreading the word about the benefits of cross-border cooperation, the JS furthermore coordinates the work of Regional Contact Points and ensures the implementation of Programme-wide promotion, communication, dissemination and capitalisation activities and events.

The JS is hosted by the Center of European Projects - CEP (in Polish language: Centrum Projektów Europejskich - CPE) a Polish state-budget unit established by the Ministry of Development Funds and Regional Policy for the purpose of supporting the implementation of European programmes: www.cpe.gov.pl.

The office is located in the city of Gdańsk (exact address: Plac Porozumienia Gdańskiego 1), part of the dynamic agglomeration of Tricity (Gdańsk-Sopot-Gdynia) at the southern shores of the Baltic Sea. Both the city and the region have a lot to offer in terms of culture, science, sports, leisure and entertainment. Gdańsk with its thousand-year history is a meeting point of many cultures and hosts numerous international events such as exhibitions, fairs, concerts or sports events. The neighbouring city of Gdynia is famous for its Open'er festival, and the small town Sopot offers great beaches and extensive nightlife. You can find more about the attractions of the region here:

- ▶ <http://pomorskie.travel/en>
- ▶ <http://visitgdansk.com/en/>
- ▶ <http://www.gdansk.pl/en/about-gdansk>

Who are we looking for?

The South Baltic JS is looking for a reliable, committed and open-minded **Project Officer (two full time employees)**, enthusiastic to join a small dynamic team in an international environment. An ideal candidate would be interested and competent in innovations in projects and policies relevant to the South Baltic Programme area or to the whole Baltic Sea region. With the support of the team of Project Officers, the PO will be responsible for:

1. Services related to cross-border cooperation projects' lifecycle:
 - ▶ assisting in project development by providing advice and guidance to potential applicants;
 - ▶ carrying out the assessment of submitted project proposals;
 - ▶ serving as the main contact for beneficiaries of projects selected for funding during the implementation phase, providing advice, support and information on implementation issues;
 - ▶ verification of projects payment claims, both financial and content parts, using electronic online system;
 - ▶ presenting features and requirements for funding at Programme events.
2. Tasks related to the management and implementation of the Programme:
 - ▶ collecting, analysing and archiving content-related information from monitored projects (e.g. interesting good practices, achievements and results) for reporting, evaluation and dissemination purposes (in cooperation with the Communication and Capitalisation Officer);
 - ▶ assisting the Communication and Capitalisation Officer in the communication and dissemination activities of the JS, e.g.: drafting articles, news messages, publications, promotional materials and print-outs (delivering content related to monitored projects).

When serving the applicants, beneficiaries and stakeholders of the Programme, the chosen candidate benefits from intercultural differences as well as well-developed teamwork, communication and organisational skills. Candidate's accuracy result orientation and flexibility help to handle a wide and varied workload without compromising the good quality of delivered work. At the same time, Project Officer performs given tasks in an independent and timely manner, without

losing sight of customer orientation and the readiness to take over ad-hoc responsibilities, if required.

What can we offer?

The selected candidate will be offered an opportunity to benefit from working in the international and intercultural environment with various partners involved in the implementation of the Programme and the Interreg cooperation of the European Union. The position will offer knowledge, experience and a wide range of contacts within the Interreg community and beyond.

The Joint Secretariat offers flexible working hours (8 hours/day). The working environment acknowledges performance, teamwork and initiative, accompanied by an open feedback culture. It also provides encouragement for personalised development and training plans and opportunities for occasional get-togethers after working hours.

The selected candidate will be recruited at the earliest possible date. Upon successful completion of the three-monthly probation period, candidate will be offered a full-time contract under Polish law. In the light of the overall living costs in Gdańsk/Poland, the selected candidate will be offered a competitive remuneration package, determined individually based on the candidate's qualifications. The fringe benefits package includes subsidising the costs for participation in culture or sport events as well as social benefits for kids and holidays and a partly-covered discount card to different sport objects in the city. For more information about the working conditions and social benefits, please consult an additional information.

What are the requirements?

Essential requirements:

- ▶ a university degree;
- ▶ professional experience of at least six months in working with projects supported by the EU;
- ▶ well-developed communication, presentation and analytical skills;
- ▶ fluency and eloquence in English language (both written and spoken);
- ▶ excellent computer skills with regard to MS Office software;
- ▶ teamwork skills and customer-oriented approach.

Additional assets:

- ▶ interest, knowledge and competence in one of the Programme Measure (see here <https://southbaltic.eu/priorities-measures>) and policies relevant in the South Baltic area or in the whole Baltic Sea region. Candidates with a professional environmental background (especially green energy and water management) are utmost needed.

- ▶ professional experience in project and financial management of EU-funded operations and/or experience in the management of other European, national or regional funding programmes, preferably in the Baltic Sea region;
- ▶ good command of at least one of the following languages: Lithuanian, Danish, German, or Swedish;
- ▶ the ability to propose solutions and strategies for administrative, financial and/or thematic challenges related to the day-to-day management of European funded projects;
- ▶ ability to coordinate activities involving numerous partners;
- ▶ commitment to accuracy and reliability as well as the ability to work under stress.

Required documents:

- ▶ curriculum vitae (CV) in English;
- ▶ cover letter in English of not more than one page, explaining the motivation and suitability of the candidate for the vacant position;
- ▶ scans of documents confirming qualifications, in particular documents confirming university degree and working experience (translation of documents not necessary at the application stage).

Please send the following statement with the documents:

I hereby authorise Center of European Projects with registered seat in Warsaw, 180 Puławska str. to process my personal data strictly for recruitment purposes in accordance with the Law on Personal Data Protection of 10 May 2018 – Journal of Laws of the Republic of Poland of 2018, item 1000 and Regulation (EU) 2016/679 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 27 April 2016 on the protection of individuals with regard to the processing of personal data and on the free movement of such data and the repeal of Directive 95/46 / EC (general regulation on data protection).

Furthermore, I declare that I have been informed that:

- ▶ the administrator of my personal data collected on the basis of this consent is Center of European Projects with registered seat in Warsaw, 180 Pulawska str.;
- ▶ collected personal data will be processed only for purposes related to the recruitment process for a period of six months from the date of its completion;
- ▶ I have the right to access my personal data and request their correction or removal;
- ▶ I was informed that my application may be forwarded to the institutions involved in the implementation of the Programme i.e. the Ministry of Development Funds and Regional Policy of the Republic of Poland and heads of the South Baltic Programme's Monitoring Committee delegations.

Providing personal data to participate in recruitment is voluntary, however, applications that do not include the above mentioned statement will not be considered.

At any time, the candidate can withdraw his/her consent by contacting the CEP at: iod@cpe.gov.pl

Submission

Applications stating the reference number given above, including all required documents, must be submitted in English language **by email till 9 September 2024, 24:00 CET**, to the following email addresses of the Center of European Projects / Joint Secretariat: rekrutacja@cpe.gov.pl

Additional information

- ▶ Incomplete applications, as well as applications without the consent for processing of personal data, will not be considered.
- ▶ Only applications received by the closing date indicated for this vacancy announcement will be considered. Only selected candidates will be contacted.
- ▶ The interviews **are planned to be held in the first half of October 2024 online via Zoom platform.**
- ▶ Proposed **salary level** (dependent on the candidate's knowledge and experience) is: **5 100 PLN – 9 000 PLN gross.**
- ▶ Seniority allowance: employees are entitled to seniority bonus, amounting to 5% of the basic monthly salary, after five years of work. This bonus is increased by 1% for each consecutive year of work, to reach 20% of the basic monthly salary after 20 years of work. Seniority allowance is calculated inclusive of all previously completed employment periods, as well as other periods, provided that such periods are subject to such inclusion to seniority pursuant to separate regulations.
- ▶ After having worked effectively in a given calendar year for at least six months, the employee acquires the right to an additional annual salary.
- ▶ All employees have equal rights to participate in training, the average annual amount for training per employee is 6000,00 PLN.
- ▶ According to the Labor Code and the Working Regulations in CEP each employee can apply for an individual/flexible working time hours between 7.00 a.m. and 5.00 p.m.
- ▶ The work is delivered stationary in the office with the possibility of home office (min. 24 days of home office per year, additional days can be agreed individually).
- ▶ The successful candidate will be obligated to provide documents confirming the university degree and professional experience (translated into Polish).
- ▶ For any further questions on the recruitment process and working conditions, please consult additional information or contact us at rekrutacja@cpe.gov.pl.
- ▶ For any further questions or information on the scope of the position, please contact Małgorzata Skolmowska at malgorzata.skolmowska@southbaltic.eu.
- ▶ The position is financed from the European Regional Development Fund. The Center of European Projects with registered office in Warsaw, 180 Puławska str. is the administrator of the selected candidate's personal data and informs that personal information contained in his/her CV, cover letter and other documents required in this job advertisement will be processed solely for the purpose of carrying out the recruitment process. Data submission is voluntary but necessary to undergo the recruitment process. The candidate has the right

to access his/her personal data and correct, delete or limit the processing of it, as well as the right to object, demand cessation of processing and data transfer, as well as the right to withdraw the consent at any time. To do so, please contact the Data Protection Inspector via the e-mail address: iod@cpe.gov.pl.

- ▶ The selected candidate has the right to submit a complaint to the supervisory authority - the President of the Office for Personal Data Protection - when you find a violation of the processing of your personal data.
- ▶ The administrator handles the following categories of the personal data: name and surname, address, e-mail, address, phone number, date of birth (if provided) and other data if provided in the application.
- ▶ For the purposes of recruitment process the personal data may be made available to persons authorised by CEP, its employees who must have access to the data to perform their duties; to the Data Protection Inspector; other data recipients (e. g. couriers, banks). The application and the personal data contained therein may be forwarded to the authorised representatives of the Managing Authority (the Ministry of Development Funds and Regional Policy of the Republic of Poland) and the heads of delegations of the Monitoring Committee. The list of South Baltic Programme's Monitoring Committee members, including the heads of delegations can be found here: <https://southbaltic.eu/list-of-members>.