



COMMONWEALTH OF DOMINICA

Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries, Blue and Green Economy

VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

National Coordinator - Blue and Green Economy

BACKGROUND

In the National Resilience Development Strategy (NRDS) 2030 and the National Budget for the period 2023/2024, the Government of the Commonwealth of Dominica articulated its policy on the development of the Blue Economy (Green Economy included), through meaningful community participation to ensure the country's development is properly adapted to the local environment, in particular the island's culture and economic circumstances.

As the "Nature Isle of the Caribbean" a critical component of the national economic development agenda must include the holistic development of a sustainable nature-based economy – a well-planned, highly productive, competitive, and innovative Blue and Green Economy, that promotes full and productive employment and equal access to economic resources and opportunities for meeting the target for the Agricultural Sector to contribute 700 million dollars to GDP by 2030 and a target of 132,000 stay-over tourists per annum.

By promoting the sustainable use of the country's Forest Eco-Systems and marine resources consistent with its international commitment to the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals 14/15, CRRP Targets 18/20 and the Regional Protocol under CARICOM Common Fisheries Policy for the Sustainable Use of Living Marine Resources for Blue Economic Growth and Sustainable Development, Dominica will be positioned as a country known for adopting healthy lifestyles in harmony with nature, promoting sustainable consumption and production patterns and building resilience that reduces disaster risks and adapts to or mitigates climate change impacts.

CORE FUNCTIONS

The National Coordinator for the Blue and Green Economy shall be accountable to and report to the Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries, Blue and Green Economy. The Coordinator shall have the overall responsibility to help in the preservation and sustainable utilization of Dominica's blue and green resources to foster economic prosperity and livelihood optimization.

The Coordinator shall specifically be responsible to ensure; sustainable management of the marine resources to advance the tourism sector; work with the fisheries division to explore ways to upgrade and diversify the capture fisheries product; manage marine transport activities to minimize damage to the marine environment and its bio-diversity; assist in the development of the agriculture sub-sector both in the marine environment and the on land; explore opportunities in marine biochemistry and ocean renewable energy; facilitate infrastructural investment in the blue economy to facilitate trade tourism and fisheries; promote the conservation and sustainable use of Dominica's green resources for economic development and social well-being and prepares reports as required by the Permanent Secretary of the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries, Blue and Economy;

CORE FUNCTIONS

1. Assist in the development of the Sustainable Management of Dominica's Marine resources to advance the tourism sector
2. Work with the Fisheries Division to explore ways to upgrade and diversity the capture fisheries product
3. Help manage marine transport activities to minimize damage to the marine environment and its biodiversity.
4. Assist with the development of the aquaculture sub-sector, both in the marine environment and on land.
5. Explore opportunities for marine biotechnology and ocean renewable energy
6. Facilitate blue economy infrastructure investments to enhance trade, tourism and fisheries.
7. Promote the conservation and sustainable use of Dominica's Green resources for economic development and social well-being.

QUALIFICATIONS AND REQUIREMENTS

Academic Qualifications

- Master's degree in Environmental Studies, Marine Sciences, Development Economics or related fields with 5 years working experience in the respective field **or**
- First degree in Environmental Studies, Marine Sciences, Development Economics with 10 years working experience in the respective field.

Abilities

- Skills in communicating persuasively with diverse audiences, ranging from policymakers and corporate managers to grass roots community residents.
- Demonstrated ability to establish and maintain effective working relationships with a wide range of stakeholders.
- Sound judgment and the ability to work with minimal direction.
- Self-motivated, with the ability to work under pressure.
- Fluency in English.
- Creative and pragmatic approach to problem solving.
- Well-organized and strong attention to detail.

Working Environment

The individual will be required to work in office and out of office (on the field) in the course of his/her duties.

Applications should be sent in written form or electronically or by mail by April 20th 2024 to:

The Permanent Secretary

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