

Working Group II of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change is filling the position of

## Science Officer in the Technical Support Unit (IPCC WGII)

The Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) is in the beginning of its Sixth Assessment cycle (2016-2022). The WGII Technical Support Unit (TSU), which provides the scientific, technical and organisational support of the activities and products of the Working Group focusing on the Impacts, Adaptation and Vulnerability of Climate Change, is employed through the Alfred-Wegener-Institute, Germany (<http://www.ipcc-wg2.awi.de/>).

The Science Officer will work closely with the Co-Chairs of WGII, the Head of TSU, the TSU Director of Science and the TSU science team. The successful candidate will assist in the science-related activities of the TSU, with a specific focus on climate change and terrestrial ecosystems. He/she will provide scientific support in the preparation and review of the WGII contribution to the IPCC Sixth Assessment Report and the Special Reports co-organized by WGII. The Science Officer will also be involved in planning, preparing, producing, and reporting on IPCC Workshops and Expert Meetings organized by WGII.

### Requirements:

- PhD in terrestrial ecosystem science or related field;
- Scientific publications in referred journals with relevance to climate change and terrestrial ecosystems and their interactions with human society;
- Experience in scientific report writing and editing;
- Proficient in written and spoken English at science level;
- Motivation to work in a small international team with a common long-term goal;
- Flexible for European and overseas travel;
- Ability to plan, organise and execute complex multi-task problems;
- Outstanding social skills and capability to interact with the international science community;
- High degree of stress-resistance and ability to work precisely and effectively under severe time constraints;
- Experience in science support work would be an asset.

This is a full-time fixed term position funded by the German Government through the Alfred-Wegener-Institute, with an appointment from September 1<sup>st</sup>, 2017, or as soon as possible thereafter. The initial contract will be for two years, until completion of the Special Report on Climate Change and Land, with the potential for an extension by around 3.5 years to the completion of the Sixth Assessment Report.

The salary will be paid in accordance with the German Tarifvertrag des öffentlichen Dienstes (TVöD Bund) based on qualifications and assigned tasks. The place of employment will be **Bremen**.

For more information or questions regarding the TSU, please contact **Prof. Dr. Hans-Otto Pörtner** (Hans.Poertner@awi.de).

We offer you a multi-disciplinary, international, and fascinating professional environment with flexible working hours, state-of-the-art research equipment, and a first-rate infrastructure.

The AWI aims to increase the number of international and female employees within the scientific staff of the TSU and especially invites female scientists to apply for the position. Disabled applicants will be given preference when equal qualifications are present. The AWI fosters the compatibility of work and family through various means. Because of our engagement in the area of work-life compatibility we have been awarded the certificate "Career and Family".

Please forward your applications with the standard documentation (cover letter, letter of motivation, certificates (bachelor, master or diploma or similar), CV and two references of recommendation) by **June 16<sup>th</sup>, 2017** referencing code **74/D/Bio** to: Alfred-Wegener-Institut für Polar- und Meeresforschung, Personalabteilung (human resources), Postfach 12 01 61, 27515 Bremerhaven/Germany or by e-mail (all documents merged into one PDF file) to: [personal@awi.de](mailto:personal@awi.de).

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