

The Alfred Wegener Institute Helmholtz Centre for Polar and Marine Research (AWI) is a member of the Helmholtz Association (HGF) and funded by federal and state government. AWI focuses on polar and marine research in a variety of disciplines such as biology, oceanography, geology, geochemistry and geophysics thus allowing multidisciplinary approaches to scientific goals.

The research group 'Association of Polar Early Career Scientists' (APECS) in Potsdam, Germany, invites applications for a

## **Scientist (Arctic research)** (50%)

### **Background:**

The Arctic Research Ice Breaker Consortium (ARICE) is a recently funded EU-Horizon2020 project to improve the capacities for marine-based research in the ice-covered Arctic Ocean. The project includes a consortium of fifteen partners from thirteen countries and will run for four years from 2018 – 2021. The project aims to better coordinate the existing polar research fleet by offering scientists access to six research icebreakers and collaborating with the maritime industry. APECS, hosted by AWI, is a member of the consortium and is leading the work package on educating a new generation of polar researchers and professionals by creating educational materials and performing training activities.

### **Tasks:**

You will be a member of the APECS International Directorate Office at AWI and will be coordinating the APECS tasks of the ARICE project which include but are not limited to organising, content development, coordination and evaluation of in-person and online training courses and resources on research and soft-skills topics related to ARICE (including a summer school for early career researchers and professionals and several webinar series), participating in ARICE project meetings and contributing to other APECS activities as needed. You will support and work with a group of volunteers as part of the project tasks. The position will be based in Potsdam, Germany.

### **Requirements:**

- PhD in a natural sciences discipline related to Arctic research. Applicants with a Master's degree and relevant work experience will also be considered
- Experience in planning, content development, and coordinating of summer schools, webinars or similar courses
- Experience in project management
- Willingness to travel occasionally, both nationally and internationally, to project meetings and workshops
- Strong written communication skills and evidence of experience in writing reports, and planning and scoping documents
- Knowledge of APECS and its activities
- Successful work in international project teams
- Excellent teamwork and communication skills
- Self-motivated and able to work independently
- Excellent English language skills

Furthermore, the following qualifications are beneficial:

- Practical experience with participation in research expeditions on research vessels

- Experience in organizing APECS online and in-person training activities / workshops and webinar series
- Experience in survey design and analysis
- Previous experience from EU projects
- Experience in managing volunteers

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The position is limited to 2021. The salary will be paid in accordance with the German *Tarifvertrag des öffentlichen Dienstes* (TVöD Bund), salary level 13. The place of employment will be **Potsdam**.

We offer a multi-disciplinary, international, and fascinating professional environment with flexible working hours for parents, state-of-the-art research equipment, and a first-rate infrastructure. AWI aims to increase the number of women in the scientific staff and therefore encourages women to apply. 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 send your application with the standard documentation (cover letter with motivation, CV, degree certificates, abstract of the Master thesis, names and addresses of two referees) under the reference number **49/D/Verw-P** by **April, 03<sup>rd</sup>, 2018** per e-mail (all documents merged into one PDF file) to **[personal.potsdam@awi.de](mailto:personal.potsdam@awi.de)**.