



Marine Mammal Ecologist – Dublin Port

The Irish Whale and Dolphin Group (IWDG) is Ireland's premier eNGO working in the marine environment. Established in 1990, the IWDG has built a credible reputation for effective advocacy for cetaceans (whales, dolphins, and porpoises) and their habitats. The IWDG is also a primary data holder with unique datasets on cetaceans which we use to support conservation actions and policies. IWDG Consulting is a wholly owned subsidiary of the IWDG. It was formally established in 2015 to consolidate and promote the group's extensive consulting expertise.

IWDG Consulting wish to appoint a Marine Mammal Ecologist (MME) to contribute to the Dublin Port Master Plan 2 (MP2) project. IWDG Consulting are contracted by RPS to deliver a Marine Mammal Mitigation Plan (MMMP) on behalf of Dublin Port Company to meet compliance with planning permission and licensing obligations granted firstly for the Alexandra Basin Redevelopment (ABR) Project, and now the MP2 Project. The MMMP was agreed as part of the Construction Environmental Management Plan (CEMP) for the ABR Project to minimise environmental impacts on marine mammals.

The MME will be required to deliver the MMMP on behalf of IWDG Consulting and in collaboration with the IWDG.

Responsibilities:

- Provision of Marine Mammal Observer (MMO) Services
- Passive Acoustic Monitoring (PAM) Servicing
- MP2 Static Acoustic Monitoring (SAM) Programme with F-PODs
- Seal Monitoring Programme of the Grey and Harbour Seals on North Bull Island
- Marine Mammal Reports for Underwater Noise Construction in Dublin Port

Required skills and experience

- Joint Nature Conservation Committee (JNCC) Marine Mammal Operator (MMO) Course
- A thorough understanding of the National Parks and Wildlife Service (NPWS) Guidelines (2014)
- An ability to communicate effectively, both written and verbally
- Experience working in marine science
- Experience in report writing
- Organisational and time management skills
- Experience working as part of a team and independently
- Self-motivated and good time management
- Full driving license and own vehicle

Conditions of Employment

This role is located in Dublin Port, Dublin, where office facilities are provided.

This is a full-time contract for a fixed period of 2 years.

Gross starting salary will be in the range **€25,603-32,918** (Level 6) depending on experience.

Probation period of 6 months.

How to apply

To apply for this position please email your CV and cover letter to ceo@iwdg.ie

Your cover letter should be in pdf format and a maximum of two pages in length. In your letter, please outline your motivation for this position and why you feel you have the skills and experience to succeed in the role.

Please put **MME Position – Dublin Port** in the email subject line.

Closing date: 26 July 2024 at 5pm