

#### **Job Title**

Sustainability Intern (with marine science/ conservation expertise)

#### **Context**

Are you a recent graduate with a passion for the marine environment? Oceans Finance Company (OFC) was established to protect our oceans and other ecosystems using innovative funding mechanisms, while promoting sustainable co-existence with natural ecosystems and enhancing the livelihood of local communities.

We are looking for a full-time intern to work with us in a unique and innovative start-up environment. We will give you the chance to build an excellent network in blue economy and finance sector, while improving the skills necessary to contribute to marine conservation and community development in South Africa and abroad.

Read more about us here: <https://www.oceansfc.com/>

The internship role will be full-time for one year, commencing in April 2024.

#### **Reports To**

Sustainability Manager

#### **Location**

Cape Town, South Africa

#### **Job Purpose**

Support the Sustainability Manager in implementing OFC's sustainability management system. Contribute to environmental, social and governance (ESG) aspects of current and future projects seeking to deliver a sustainable blue ocean economy.

#### **Responsibilities**

- To help us identify exciting marine conservation opportunities to invest in – identification of implementation partners and impactful projects.
- To research best practices in blue economy and conservation and support OFC to remain current in line with emerging and best international practices.
- To contribute marine ecology / scientific expertise to OFC's projects.
- To analyse sustainability / ESG data and support reporting to investors as required.
- To support development of training material, presentations, marketing material etc.
- To assist in coordination of consultancies supporting existing and future projects (i.e. undertaking Environmental and Social Impact Assessments (ESIA), due diligences, audits, marine monitoring and reporting etc).
- To assist in other sustainability/ ESG tasks, as required.

#### **Qualifications & Experience**

- You hold an Honors/ Master's degree in marine science, or environmental or conservation management (or similar), with a specific focus on marine, wetland or coastal ecosystems.
- You have a good understanding of marine / coastal conservation management and sustainability including the concepts of blue and green economy.
- You are confident, intelligent, able to work in fast pace dynamic environment, and are looking to gain valuable work experience in the blue economy sector.
- You have strong analytical, research, interpersonal and communication skills.
- You have a desire to work on exciting marine conservation projects within Africa and internationally.
- You are fully proficient in Microsoft Office applications, such as Excel, Word and PowerPoint.

#### **Interested?**

To apply, please send us your resume together with a motivation letter to Isobel Evans (Sustainability Manager) at the following email address:

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