



Open Seas - BACKGROUND

The Open Seas Trust (Open Seas) is a campaigning charity working on issues of marine conservation and seafood sustainability in Scotland. We are a relatively small, agile organisation with an evidence based, robust approach, challenging unsustainable activity and undertaking research and investigations to build the case for change. We are a prominent voice for marine sustainability in Scotland, generating evidence based on fieldwork and research, as well as securing significant mainstream media attention on issues of environmental concern. We have also built a strong profile and reputation for hosting events and engaging public and political stakeholders on issues relating to the health of our seas. You can read more about our work at www.openseas.org.uk

The Team

We are currently a team of eight staff working on policy, research and campaigns. Our work spans a range of tasks including political advocacy, marine-based field research, meetings with seafood and fisheries stakeholders, public campaigning and hosting events. The team works entirely from various remote home and shared working space locations, so much of our work is done using online collaboration tools. The organisation is overseen by a Board of Trustees who meet quarterly and advised by an Advisory Group who meet 1 – 2 times a year.

The Role

You will be our representative in Scottish politics. We are looking for someone who will engage with politicians and politics on issues of marine conservation and fisheries. You will be engaging and creative, credible and authoritative. You will be responsible for developing and implementing advocacy strategies, engaging with policymakers and stakeholders, and working with the team to ensure the best possible outcomes for Scotland's seas.

The location for this appointment is flexible, most staff currently work from their homes but there is also the potential to arrange office space if necessary.



Benefits

The role will be paid £36,114 - £40,969.50. Open Seas offers a matched pension contribution of up to 6%. The role will be entitled to 25 days paid holiday plus Scottish public holidays.

The work will be varied and include the opportunity to join research teams on field work on boats and around our coasts.