



We are looking for a...

Facilitator/Mediator for a Nature Conservation Initiative

Freelance contract for work in Poland (Central Europe)

About the Initiative

The importance of nature conservation and healthy environments has gained increasing recognition in recent decades. However, sometimes conservation goals can stand in contrast to other interests. Conservation and recovery of wildlife species can be especially challenging. In Europe, the status of wolf, lynx, bear and wolverine varies widely depending on region and species. As diverse as the landscapes are that these large carnivores return to or live in, as divergent can be the reactions of people. The LIFE EUROLARGE CARNIVORES initiative aims for a better collaboration between interest groups and the implementation of cost-effective and long-term management solutions (for more details see www.eurolargecarnivores.eu).

Your tasks

- In February 2019, participating in an internal training for assessments of local context and delivery of local workshops to enhance communication and collaboration skills of key actors in Poland (Central Europe)
- Evaluation of existing data and information relevant to the project, e.g. perceptions about human – large carnivore interactions, type and number of conflict in Poland (Central Europe)
- Where necessary, gather additional information (e.g. through structured interviews with local experts and interest groups, desk top research)
- In collaboration with the elmauer institute team, co-facilitate the local four-day training session in Poland (Central Europe).

Job Requirements

- Proven facilitation and mediation skills, with demonstrated experience in facilitating workshops, working with multi-interest groups and/or public participation processes
- Language skills: Required a fluency in the local language and English; in addition we appreciate German language skills.
- Furthermore, we consider it an advantage if a candidate brings a good understanding and previous knowledge about local human- large carnivore interactions, including human - wildlife conflict, large carnivore conservation goals and challenges, and/or social, economic and political implications of large carnivore conservation.

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What we can offer

- A freelance contract with elmauer institute and a fair remuneration for your work with the LIFE EUROLARGECARNIVORES project.
- A motivated, diverse multi-national project team to work with in the European-wide LIFE EUROLARGECARNIVORES project.
- Strong support by the international team of dedicated mediators and facilitators of elmauer institute to succeed in your local work for the LIFE EUROLARGECARNIVORES project.
- A substantial training in communication methods, collaborative management concepts, and tools to improve cooperation in nature conservation.
- A long-term opportunity to collaborate with a network of international mediators and facilitators in local and global nature conservation initiatives.

Please send your application to eva-maria.cattoen@elmauer.com till the **26th of November**. We ask you to provide a short letter outlining your expertise and how you meet the job requirements, including a Curriculum Vitae and references. Following receipt of your application, we will be pleased to arrange a phone call to discuss honorarium, contract details and any of your questions.

We are looking forward to hearing from you,

Kai Elmauer and Eva-Maria Cattoen

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