



## **SDCEA JOB VACANCY**

### **JOB DESCRIPTION** **Oil and Gas/Livelihoods Project Officer**

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The South Durban Community Environmental Alliance (SDCEA) is an environmental justice organization based in South Durban, South Africa. It is made up of 22 affiliate organisations and has been active since its formation in 1995. It is a vocal and vigilant group active in lobbying, reporting and researching industrial incidents and accidents in this area. SDCEA has been actively involved in opposing the offshore oil and gas drilling, fracking and campaigning along the coastline of South Africa. The project officer will be required to work with many affected communities and stakeholders including the fishing community of South Africa.

#### **Key roles and responsibilities**

- Research possible environmental and social impacts of offshore oil and gas exploration and mining to inform the campaign and prepare for the publishing of information materials for fishers and affected coastal communities.
- Map oil and gas mining operators and refiners involved in oil and gas exploration on the KZN coastline as well as identify government agencies responsible for authorising and monitoring oil and gas activities on the coast
- Liaise with and lobby industry and Government on oil and gas exploration activities and their impacts.
- Participate in civil society meetings and processes to raise awareness of oil and gas exploration and mining issues.
- Work closely with fishers on policies and affirming rights for subsistence fishers.
- Ability to write reports and articles
- Form and maintain good working relationships with communities that we work with and all community partners.

#### **Skills Required / Qualifications**

- A relevant tertiary education with a focus on environmental management and sciences;
- An education or history in the climate/environmental justice field will be ideal;
- A minimum two years' experience in working within the social or environmental justice sector;
- Written and oral fluency in English.
- Good writing and communication skills.
- Strong work organising skills that ensure time bound delivery is met;
- Strong outcome-based facilitation skills;
- Committed to SDCEA's vision, mission and values;
- Motivation to exchange with and learn from colleagues and movements;
- Be willing to work as part of a dynamic and varied team;
- Ability to visit project sites when possible and work in a Covid-19 safe manner;

- Strong know how of computer programmes such as Microsoft Office, Zoom, web-based systems such as google doc and other relevant platforms;
- Have experience and knowledge is using social media platforms such as Twitter, Facebook, Instagram etc.; and
- Have a Code 8 or 10 driver's license.

The Oil and Gas/Livelihoods Project Officer will be accountable to the SDCEA coordinator. Please note no chancers. The selected candidate must be available to start immediately. Applications are to be emailed to [desmond@sdceango.co.za](mailto:desmond@sdceango.co.za) or [sherelee@sdceango.co.za](mailto:sherelee@sdceango.co.za)

Application deadline – Wednesday, 13 October 2021