

#### Recruitment of EU Project Officer/Engineer

### Open position

To drive the implementation of its activities, the 3 County Energy Agency (3cea) is recruiting a:

### **EU Project Officer/ Engineer (RegEnergy)**

https://www.nweurope.eu/projects/project-search/regenergy-renewable-energy-regions/

We are seeking highly motivated individuals who are passionate about energy and willing to work and make a difference at the 3 County Level in South East Ireland and beyond. The successful candidate is expected to actively contribute to shape and promote the implementation of environmentally sustainable energy solutions. With the continued growth in this area at both a National and European level, the successful candidate must also remain up to date with relevant information in this continually changing work environment.

#### **About 3cea**

The 3 Counties Energy Agency is a non-profit, independent energy agency working primarily in Carlow, Kilkenny and Wexford. We work primarily in the energy efficiency, clean energy, awareness raising and sustainability, specialising in activities including Energy Auditing, Project Management, Domestic Retrofit, Public Lighting, Energy Management Services, EU Projects, Monitoring & Reporting and Financial Facilitation.

### **About the Position**

POSITION	European Project Officer and Engineer
Employer	3 Counties Energy Agency (3cea)
Field of Work	Energy Efficiency, Renewable and Bioenergy
Place of Work	Kilkenny
Workload	37.5 hours per week
Remuneration	Guided Salary of 30k to 40k FTE DOE
Period	2-year Fixed Term with Potential to Extend based on increased project
	success
Existing EU Projects	Interreg NWE – RegEnergy – Renewable Energy in Rural Regions
Type of contract	2 yr. Fixed Term
Deadline for application	25 <sup>th</sup> January 2020
Expected start date	Immediate

#### Responsibilities

The EU Project Officer/Engineer will be responsible for the daily implementation and management of the RegEnergy EU Interreg project, work packages, deliverables and tasks, including the facilitation of further



spin off projects as part of the project activity dissemination, communication and exploitation/replication activities. The role encompasses engineering, administrative, research and project management activities.

#### Interreg NWE RegEnergy

North West Europe (NWE) is one of the regions with the highest energy consumption in the EU. At the same time, the share of renewable energies in the production and consumption mix is low and the dependence on non-renewable energy sources is high. RegEnergy aims to reduce GHG emissions by increasing the use of renewable energies by bringing together energy demand of urbanised areas and renewable energy production in surrounding rural areas – creating Renewable Energy regions. This will enable local and regional authorities from urbanised areas to meet their demand on RE supply from reliable local supplies. Rural areas will benefit from access to energy consumers and create locally generated revenue. Technological regional solutions for load management and energy storage will lead to designed, tested and improved regional renewable energy supply and demand models which are replicable and being transferred to regions beyond RegEnergy.

- Responsibilities for Interreg NWE RegEnergy
  - Engineering & Analysis activities as per defined project tasks
  - Participating in EU wide Steering Group Meetings
  - Participating in project partner webinars and tele-conference calls
  - Analyse institutional, economic, infrastructural, technological, legal and social barriers and opportunities for regional RE partnerships in NWE regions
  - Analyse organisational and social barriers preventing the transition to using renewable energies
  - Comparing and learning from the existing solutions in RegEnergy partner organisations
  - Analyse the strategies currently being implemented by sample consumers to reduce dependence on fossil fuels and to transition to using renewable energy
  - Contribute to joint strategy by optimising strategy and road map for rural energy balance
  - Update the regional energy balance current demand and report
  - Investigate and model available energy supplies from local sources
  - Complete feasibility and modelling of urban energy demand
  - Identify partnerships / solutions for networks transporting of green gas to urban consumers
  - Contribute to working group sessions, site visits etc.
  - Assist in the preparation, procurement and installation the reception and storage equipment at 3 public demonstration sites using possible ESCO model
  - Ensuring Public procurement compliance for all project costs
  - Collaboration with EU Project Partners research to assist with project outputs
  - Management of Long-Term activities training/ambassador programme/guidebook
  - Preparation of the 6 monthly technical interim and final reports
  - Acting as the project focal point for all stakeholders

## Requirements

- The ideal candidate would have:
  - Experience in the management of EU funded (research) projects;
  - Project management skillset



- Engineering/technical background
- Relevant education and documented work experience within the energy and technologies fields
- Good communication, writing and networking skills
- Excellent knowledge of English
- Second European language would be an advantage
- Full driving licence
- Ability to travel and work EU wide

# How to apply

To apply, please send a single PDF file containing a letter of motivation, a CV (max. 2-page) and the names and contact information of 2 references to:

blowe@3cea.ie Bill Lowe (Office Manager)

If you do not wish that we contact current or past employers, please state so and explain the reasons in your letter of motivation. All applications will be treated confidentially and by respecting the privacy of the candidate. Applications that do not meet the deadline will be excluded. The outcome of the selection process is incontestable. For further information, see contact above.