



SUSTAINABLE SEAS TRUST

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AFRICAN YOUTH WASTE NETWORK PROJECT COORDINATOR

The African Youth Waste Network (AYWN) is a project of Sustainable Seas Trust (SST) which is an active platform for collaboration, resource development and knowledge sharing within and between countries. Its target group are the youth (9 – 24 years old) of Africa. The AYWN's mission is to inspire the youth to work towards *Zero Plastics to the Seas of Africa*. The goal is to stimulate excitement to take actions and drive initiatives to find solutions to Africa's growing plastic pollution challenges. This is achieved through fun, interactive, and creative learning which includes skills development, youth festivals and camps, competitions, art, poetry, plays, dance, stories, songs and more. The AYWN aims to grow its impact throughout Africa and provide support to youth-driven initiatives in schools and communities to stop waste at source before it enters the oceans.

Qualifications and Experience:

SST is inviting applications from dynamic and creative individuals who would like to join the AYWN team as the project coordinator. The following qualifications and experience are required:

- An appropriate tertiary qualification in the fields of education, science, marketing or public relations (ideally a master's degree or equivalent qualification)
- 5 years' proven experience in project management
- Understanding of the importance of capacity building and skills development amongst the youth of Africa
- Excellent public speaking, presentation, and interpersonal skills
- Excellent organisational skills in events management, fundraising, networking with youth and the ability to prioritise tasks.
- Excellent computer and writing skills enabling the production of both narrative and financial reports
- Understanding of issues related to plastic pollution and marine sustainability
- Being sensitive to cultural requirements of the youth in Africa so that the skills can be adapted to different groups on the continent and its island states
- The successful candidate must be fluent in spoken and written English. It would be an advantage, however, if the applicant has fluency in another African language such as French, Swahili, isiZulu, or isiXhosa.

Responsibilities and Duties:

The candidate will report to the SST Head of Education, and responsibilities and duties will include:

- Grow the network, its activities, and resources (fundraise)
- Development of new youth programmes concerning all aspects of marine conservation
- Coordination and responsibility for delivery on the project strategy
- Management of the AYWN team, committee, administration (reporting), and finances
- Development and host youth-centred festivals, competitions, camps, and related events





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- Work with the communications team to ensure effective and accurate public communications about the SST and the AYWN
- Maintain existing, and forge new, stakeholder relationship

Based: Port Elizabeth, Eastern Cape, South Africa

Duration: One-year contract, renewal assessed based on performance

Start Date: 04th January 2020

Remuneration: The salary scale will be provided on request

How to apply:

Applications should be submitted to education@sstafrica.org.za by 30th November 2020. Please use the following email subject when you submit your application, **JOB APPLICATION: AYWN PROJECT COORDINATOR**. Your application should include:

- Letter of motivation
- Curriculum vitae
- Proof of qualification(s)
- Contact details of at least three references

Shortlisted candidates will be contacted by the 13th December 2020.