



Do you wish to work in an international organization in the European North? Check out the open position of a Climate, Environment and Hot Spots Adviser at the International Barents Secretariat!

The International Barents Secretariat in Kirkenes, Norway, is seeking a parental leave replacement for the position of a Climate, Environment and Hot Spots Adviser for the period of 1 September 2018 - 1 September 2019.

The main function of the International Barents Secretariat (IBS) is to support the multilateral activities within the Barents Euro-Arctic Council (BEAC) and the Barents Regional Council (BRC).

The IBS aims to increase and secure the coherence and efficiency of the Barents co-operation. To this end, the IBS assists the biannually rotating governmental and regional Chairs in their tasks. In addition, the IBS supports the Barents Working Groups. The IBS maintains the archives of the official cooperation and serves as an information database, as well as maintains contacts with other organisations and stakeholders operating in the Barents and Arctic regions, the national and regional authorities of the Member States and the media.

The position of a **Climate, Environment and Hot Spots Adviser** at the IBS offers challenging and interesting tasks in multilateral international co-operation in the quickly developing Arctic region.

The main responsibilities of the Adviser are:

- To co-ordinate the work in the field of climate change and other environmental issues within Barents co-operation
- To assist the Working Group on Environment in its task
- To assist NEFCO (Nordic Environment Finance Corporation) and its Barents Hot Spots Facility (BHSF) in different stages of Hot Spots project work
- To maintain contacts and information exchange between relevant stakeholders in the region
- To do other relevant work as instructed by the Head of the IBS

The candidates should have:

- Background in environmental studies

- A good knowledge of environmental issues in the Northern/Barents regions, and especially in Russia and of cross-cutting issues, such as climate change and sustainable development
- Relevant working experience preferably either as project leader or coordinator
- A good command of English (oral and written) and Russian

The IBS highlights the candidate's ability to take independent responsibility, take initiative and work proactively and flexibly as part of the team. The candidate should have experience in intergovernmental co-operation and an interest in the regional co-operation in the European North. Proficient communication and language skills are essential: the candidate should have excellent knowledge of English and working knowledge of Russian (knowledge of either Finnish, Swedish, Norwegian or Sami would be an asset). The work will involve extensive travelling (around both the Nordic countries and Russia) and it is recommendable to have a driving license.

The position is open for citizens of Finland, Norway, Sweden and Russia.

Send in your letter of motivation together with your CV by 31 May 2018 to:

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For further information about the position:

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