Communications / Electronics Engineer: Gough Island. Approximately 15 months contract (OC 05/2020)

Salary: R 733 257 per annum (All inclusive package)

Centres: Gough Island Base

Requirements:

- A National Diploma or Degree in Electronic or Electrical (light current) or IT, Engineering or relevant comparable qualification, with a minimum of three years post trade / qualification experience.
- Competency in electronic maintenance, diagnostics and repairs with proven fault-finding capabilities.
- Preferably have experience in V-Sat Satellite Systems, IT (managing a computer network with LINUX servers and routers), HF and VHF 2-way radio equipment and operation, Telephone systems (PABX's and VOIP), PC's, Fire Detection Systems, GPS’s, general electronic equipment repair.
- The incumbent has to be competent in the use of an Oscilloscope, Spectrum Analyser, etc., and be familiar with good workshop practices, correct use of basic workshop tools and an understanding of current work, health and safety policies.
- The incumbent has to be able to work independently with minimal support under extreme pressure and without supervision.
- The incumbent must be computer literate, have good verbal and written communication skills and the ability to work in a team.

Duties:

- The incumbent will be responsible for the operation, maintenance, fault-finding on and repairs of all the communication services and equipment of our Antarctic Base including the satellite, radio, IT, GPS, alarm and telephone systems.
- Operate cargo handling equipment.
- The incumbent will report to the base engineer and will be part of the technical team, led by the base engineer that has to perform any additional base related technical functions.
- Prepare monthly and annual reports, do stock-takes to order spares and equipment and do other common “non-technical” duties performed by expedition members.

Note:

- The incumbent will execute duties at a Sub/Antarctic Base and adhere to the health, safety and environmental requirements.
- The successful applicant will spend a full year (September 2020 to October 2021) at Gough Island base. **There is no option to return to South Africa before**
October 2021. The ability to work and live with small groups of people is thus essential.

- Although the base is well-equipped with e-mail, fax and satellite telephone facilities, the applicant has to be self-sufficient and self-motivated. The location may affect both the physical and mental well-being of the incumbent, their family and close relationships. Candidates must be physically fit, mentally strong and prepared for physically challenging and satisfying work.

- In addition the successful candidates may often be called upon to work long hours in extreme conditions on duties unrelated to their function.

- Short-listed candidates will be subjected to screening and security vetting to determine their suitability for employment.

- Appointment to these positions is subject to a rigorous medical examination, which will be arranged for at no cost to the applicant.

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For attention: Human Resource Management.

Closing date: 02 March 2020

All applications must be submitted on a signed Z83 application form (click bold underlined text to download PDF form) with a copy of a comprehensive CV, certified copies of qualifications, ID document as well as a Driver's License (if required) in order to be considered.

Applications must be forwarded to the Director-General, Department of Environment Forestry and Fisheries, Private Bag X4390, Cape Town, 8000. Or hand deliver to Department of Environment Forestry and Fisheries, 14 Loop Street Cape Town.

The National Department of Environmental Forestry and fisheries is an equal opportunity, affirmative action employer.

It is the applicant's responsibility to have foreign qualifications evaluated by the South African Qualification Authority (SAQA). Correspondence will be limited to successful candidates only.

Short-listed candidates will be subjected to screening and security vetting to determine their suitability for employment, including but not limited to: Criminal records; Citizenship status; Credit-worthiness; Previous employment (reference checks); and Qualification verification.

Candidates shortlisted for the SMS post will be subjected to a technical exercise that intends to test relevant technical elements of the job.

Following the interview and the technical exercise, the Selection Panel will recommend candidates to attend a generic managerial competency assessment in compliance with the DPSA Directive on the implementation of competency based assessments.

Furthermore, the person appointed to this position will be subjected to a security clearance, the signing of a performance agreement and an employment contract.

All shortlisted candidates will be expected to avail themselves for an interview at the Department's convenience.

The Department reserves the right not to make an appointment.

No e-mailed, faxed or late applications will be considered.

If you have not been contacted within three 3 months after the closing date of the advertisement, please accept that your application was unsuccessful.