



Internationale Kommission zum Schutz des Rheins
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International Commission for the Protection of the Rhine

In the secretariat of the **International Commission for the Protection of the Rhine (ICPR)** in Koblenz (Germany), a vacancy for a full-time position (39 hours/week) as a

project manager
for the development of a EU-funded pollution spread model

is to be filled from **1 July 2026** onwards. In line with the project duration, the position is **limited until 30 June 2028**.

Project outline

The ICPR (see below) is planning to develop a new pollution spread model. The new model will be an important component for the *International Warning and Alarm Plan Rhine*, through which countries along the Rhine and its most important tributaries inform each other about hazardous pollution incidents. The model aims to calculate the spread of pollutant plumes and helps to locate and identify potential sources. The implementation of the model will be in collaboration with a company that will be selected through a tender process and which will subsequently carry out the programming work. The project is funded via the EU-LIFE programme and will run for two years. For this innovative project, we are now looking for a project manager. **The position will be based in the ICPR international secretariat in Koblenz (Germany).**

Job description

The project manager

- will serve as the central contact person to ensure smooth communication between
 - the project partners (ICPR secretariat, the State delegations from Switzerland, Germany, France, Luxembourg and the Netherlands),
 - the EU as funding body and
 - the company that will carry out the programming working and tracer experiments in the concerned water bodies;
- will organise the regular meetings of the project advisory board;
- will organise an EU-wide tender process to find a company to carry out the programming work;
- will be responsible for the timely achievement of the project milestones;
- will organise
 - a training session for the users of the model,
 - an international workshop and
 - an international test exercise – including evaluation of the results (in cooperation with the external company);
- will report
 - to the EU (interim report, final report, after LIFE conservation plan, etc.) and

- to the competent ICPR bodies;
- will be in charge of the public relations and dissemination activities within the project;
- will, if suitable, manage the project finances (in consultation with the ICPR executive secretary).

You have the following qualifications:

- scientific university degree (e. g. natural sciences, chemistry, biology, geography, environmental management or equivalent qualification);
- experience in the management of projects (international projects and especially EU projects are an asset);
- very good project management, communication and writing skills;
- sufficient IT or even programming skills to be able to understand the work being outsourced to an external company are an asset;
- very good knowledge of English (at least C1);
- good knowledge (at least B2) of at least one of the ICPR working languages (German, French or Dutch);
- team spirit and motivation.

We offer you:

- a diverse and interesting job with the aim of protecting the environment;
- a friendly and supportive working atmosphere in a team with motivated colleagues;
- modern office facilities and training opportunities;
- flexible working hours within a predefined framework and the possibility to work remotely on some days of the week;
- a salary according to TVöD-Bund group E13¹.

For further information

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Please submit your complete application documents in electronic form (one PDF document, not bigger than 7 MB) by 22 May 2026, 23:59 h to marcdaniel.heintz@iksr.de.

Brief introduction of the ICPR

Since 1950, Switzerland, France, Germany, the Netherlands, Luxemburg and the European Union have been working together in the International Commission for the Protection of the Rhine (ICPR) on the basis of a treaty under international law in order to reconcile the many different uses of the river and its protection. In order to fully implement European directives, this trans-boundary cooperation was extended to Austria, Liechtenstein and the Belgian region Wallonia.

The different ICPR groups and experts coming from different member states are supported by the international staff of the permanent secretariat in Koblenz (Germany).

¹ approximately between €4,900 and €7,000 gross (before tax) monthly - depending on certain characteristics, e.g. relevant professional experience