



TERMS OF REFERENCE

for a Consultant to implement the Tasks of a Lecturer during the MedOpen CVC Advanced training session 2016

1. Background information / Objective / Duration

In order to respond to the great interest of target users who had applied for the first MedOpen Climate variability and change (CVC) Advanced training session in 2015, PAP/RAC decided to organise one more Advanced training session on CVC. The objective of the session will be to raise awareness and improve knowledge of trainees of CVC aspects in the Mediterranean, and through it to build / improve capacities on implications of CVC considerations, the ICZM Protocol and other related national policies.

The session will be launched in May 2016 and will be lasting for four weeks, i.e. from 9 May to 12 June 2016 (with one week extra foreseen for consultations and the finalisation and submission of the Simulation Game essay).

2. Tasks of a Lecturer

- to prepare, jointly with a SG Co-ordinator, an Introductory paper for the CVC Forum;
- to prepare a short Introduction to each Lecture with a couple of questions to direct and stimulate the Forum discussion;
- to moderate Forum discussions and reply to students' questions posted on the Forum providing them with explanations when asked for;
- to propose themes to be elaborated by students in their short Essays;
- to comment / evaluate / grade the overall students' work, including their active participation to Forum discussions and short Essays.
- to prepare a Final report of the training session.

In more detail, a Lecturer is expected to perform the following activities:

- to prepare, jointly with a SG Co-ordinator, an Introductory paper for the Forum (a half or one page) to welcome the students and to explain, among others, the purpose of the Forum strongly encouraging participation, and the practical part of the session, i.e. the SG. Also, students shall be informed that only participation to all the three activities (Forum discussion, Simulation Game and the Final Essay preparation) will ensure the obtaining of the CVC Advanced training session certificate. The Introductory paper shall be submitted to PAP/RAC by the end of April 2016, at the latest;
- to prepare a short Introduction to Lectures 1, 2, 3 and 4 (half a page), respectively, and to submit it to PAP/RAC by Friday prior to a week in which a relevant Lecture will be introduced. Each Introduction shall be accompanied with a couple of stimulating questions / issues for discussion (two or three questions);
- to moderate Forum discussions and reply to students' questions providing them with explanations, when asked for;
- to assess / evaluate and grade the Forum discussion;
- to assess / evaluate students' Final essays, i.e., provide individual comments; grade the Final Essays, as well as students' overall work¹;

¹ Grading of the Forum discussion, the Final Essays and the overall students' work to be included in a table to be prepared by PAP/RAC.



- to prepare a Final report on the activities carried out during the training session, including: the assessment / grading of the Forum discussion; the results achieved and obstacles encountered; evaluation of the training session; and proposals for its future improvement.

3. Deliverables

1. Joint Introductory paper;
2. Introductions to Lectures;
3. Assessment / evaluation and grading of Forum discussions;
4. Assessment / evaluation and grading of Final Essays;
5. Final report.

4. Qualifications

The Consultant should have the following educational and professional qualifications:

- Professional level with a minimum of five years experience in working on projects dealing with CV&C and ICZM;
- Recognised degree (MSc or PhD) in Coastal Science and Technology;
- Teaching area: Vulnerability and adaptation to Climate change with particular reference to coastal zones;
- Superior communication and interpersonal skills;
- Strong English skills.