



## **ANNOUNCEMENT: OPEN POSITION (Fixed term)**

### **SOSF-DRC Staff Cover**

The natural environments of D'Arros Island and St Joseph Atoll are among the most ecologically healthy and unique in Seychelles and in the world. More sea turtles come to nest on the beaches, more sharks, rays and fishes swarm over the coral reefs and more seabirds nest and roost in the trees than at any other island in the Amirantes Group. The [Save Our Seas Foundation D'Arros Research Centre \(SOSF-DRC\)](#) is tasked with preserving and showcasing the ecological integrity of these islands and their surrounding marine environment through research, monitoring, restoration and education.

The [Save Our Seas Foundation](#) (SOSF) is offering a fixed term job opportunity and is looking for **one**:

### **JUNIOR RESEARCH OFFICER for the SOSF D'Arros Research Centre**

Are you ready to become part of an island family, expand your research experience with a drive to keep learning and growing? The ideal candidate is comfortable living and working in a small, close-knit environment and can balance independent work with active collaboration as part of a team. They approach challenges with maturity and professionalism, responding to demanding or sensitive situations in a calm and constructive manner while maintaining respectful and positive working relationships.

Applications open to **Seychellois citizens and residents** only.

**CONTRACT:** fixed term (staff cover for a period of abroad study)

**PERIOD OF COVER:** June 2026 – September 2027 (*exact dates TBC with final candidate and pending flight schedule*)

**SALARY:** SCR22'000-SCR25'000 (depending on qualifications and experience)

**PLACE OF WORK AND LIVING:** D'Arros Island, Amirantes Group, Seychelles (Room and board are covered)

#### **OVERVIEW OF MAIN DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES**

- Undertake fieldwork for all core and targeted marine and terrestrial research projects
- Data entry and data management
- Support of visiting researchers and students
- Support maintenance of lab buildings, field camp, vehicles, boats, lab equipment, dive gear and other SOSF-DRC infrastructure and equipment
- Assist with logistical and administrative tasks including but not limited to social media posts, writing of blogs, reports as well as purchasing



## MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS AND REQUIREMENTS

- 25+ years old
- Native / Fluent in both spoken and written English
- BSc in Environmental Science, Marine Biology
- Excellent swimming skills
- Certified PADI Advanced Open Water diver or equivalent (minimum 50 logged dives)
- Powerboat/Skipper certification or willingness to get training
- Demonstrated commitment to and keen interest in environment and conservation issues
- Minimum six months experience in (remote) environments with field work in the marine and/or terrestrial sector
- Comfortable living and working in a shared environment, contributing both independently and collaboratively and approaching challenges with awareness, respect, and a focus on maintaining positive team dynamics
- Excellent communication and presentation skills
- Physically, medically and mentally fit
- Proficient in MS Office

## BENEFICIAL QUALIFICATIONS

- Certified PADI Rescue, DM or equivalent
- Knowledge about and experience in freediving
- Proof of writing skills, administrative and/or scientific (e.g. reports, publications)
- Demonstrated social media experience
- Skills in GIS, R, Event Measure and/or Coral Point Count or similar applications
- Qualification(s) in 1<sup>st</sup> Aid

## APPLICATION

Individuals who meet the minimum qualifications and requirements are invited to send all of the following documents (*in PDF format*) to SOSF-DRC Director Henriette Grimmel [henriette@saveourseas.com](mailto:henriette@saveourseas.com)

- Cover letter explaining motivation for the role and intentions for the future
- Full CV/Resume including details of two contactable references
- Copy of ID Card
- Reference or recommendation letter (minimum one)
- Proof of dive qualification(s)

**Please note that incomplete applications or documents in the wrong format will not be considered.**

**DEADLINE: 10<sup>th</sup> May 2026 (COB 17:00 GMT+4)**