



## GLOBAL WATER SYSTEM PROJECT

Joint Project of the Earth System Science Partnership

### INTERNATIONAL PROJECT OFFICE, IPO

## EXECUTIVE OFFICER

The Earth System Science Partnership (ESSP, [www.essp.org](http://www.essp.org)), comprising DIVERSITAS ([www.diversitas-international.org/](http://www.diversitas-international.org/)), IGBP (<http://igbp.net>), IHDP ([www.ihdp.org](http://www.ihdp.org)) and WCRP (<http://wcrp.wmo.int>), seeks an Executive Officer (EO) to coordinate the research and outreach activities of the Global Water System Project (GWSP). The GWSP is one of four joint projects of the ESSP concerned with global environmental change; it addresses the questions of how humans are changing the global water cycle, its associated biogeochemical cycles and biological components of the global water system, and what are the social feedbacks arising from these changes. The EO will be a senior scientist with an established track record in water-related research, and research management. He/she will: facilitate the development and implementation of the project under the guidance of the GWSP Scientific Steering Committee; manage its International Project Office (IPO), located in Bonn, Germany; interact with donor, policy and water-resource communities, including relevant UN organizations; undertake extensive international travel as a formal representative of the project.

The successful candidate must have a Ph.D. degree in the natural or the social sciences, with relevant international and interdisciplinary experience, excellent oral and written communication skills in English, and enthusiasm for coordinating international science partnerships. The ESSP encourages applications from women and from scientists from developing countries. The position, which is available in early 2009 (subject to confirmation of continued funding of the International Project Office of the GWSP), will require substantial travel abroad.

More information about the project can be obtained from the project website ([www.gwsp.org](http://www.gwsp.org)).

The host institution for the IPO is the Centre for Development Research (ZEF), an international and interdisciplinary research institute of the Rheinische Friedrich-Wilhelms-University, Bonn ([www.zef.de](http://www.zef.de)).

Applications should be submitted before **28 November 2008** to Martin Rice, ESSP Coordinator, with a CV (resume) and contact information of three referees.

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