

The [Global Climate Forum \(GCF\)](#) in Berlin is a non-profit transdisciplinary research institute founded by nobel laureate Klaus Hasselmann in order to bring together different public, private and civil society parties concerned with climate change and carry out joint studies that support environmental policies. The Research Process [Adaptation and Social Learning \(ASL\)](#) at GCF conducts internationally leading work on the economics and governance of coastal and marine adaptation from local to global scales. The process is led by Jochen Hinkel, who has been Lead Author on coastal/marine governance in the last two Assessment Reports of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC). For the new large scale European research project [OLAMUR](#), ASL is seeking a

**Phd student (65% position) or Postdoctoral Researcher (100% position)
on the governance of multi-use offshore wind farms**

[OLAMUR](#) explores the sustainable multi-use of marine space ([Schupp et al. 2019](#)) in the North and Baltic Seas, in particular the potential to combine offshore wind energy together with low trophic aquaculture (algae, mussels) to reduce emissions, contribute to global food and nutrition security and restore biodiversity in a changing climate. Towards this end, the project brings together all relevant key sectors in a transdisciplinary process demonstrating sustainable multi-use solutions in line with UN Sustainable Development Goals. The project is part of the European Mission "[Restore our Ocean and waters by 2030](#)".

The responsibilities of the successful candidate include:

- Conduct a comparative case study on which contextual factors (e.g., formal and informal institutions, advocacy coalitions, power structures, etc.) shape the implementation of multi-use wind farms and related marine spatial planning policies in Germany, Denmark, Estonia and other countries.
- Analyse the influence of higher level institutions (e.g., Regional Seas Commission, European Legislation, Global environmental regimes) on multi-use sites in various context.
- Support the design of sustainable multi-use wind farms through a participatory process and multi-criteria analysis.

Requirements

- An excellent master thesis in social sciences, preferentially in institutional economics or political sciences
- Excellent command of English (the language of the PhD thesis)
- Excellent command of German is an asset (the language of some stakeholders)
- Deep intrinsic motivation to understand environmental and coastal/marine governance
- Familiarity with qualitative social science methods and theories of policy and institutional change.
- Experience in gathering data through interviews or focus groups

We offer the opportunity to work in a high-profile, internationally recognized research institute within a global network of leading researchers on social and economic aspects of climate change and environmental issues. The successful candidate will join a friendly and highly motivated team in central Berlin (within the [Mercator Center Berlin](#)) and will benefit from a flexible, dynamic working environment, close cooperation within our team, attentive PhD supervision and flat hierarchies. The Global Climate Forum is an equal opportunity employer. We thrive for diversity and inclusion and welcome all qualified applicants. The position will start as soon as possible and have a duration of 3 years. The PhD would be obtained from the [Resource Economics Group](#) at the Thayer Institute of Humboldt University in Berlin, where Hinkel is an external professor (*Privatdozent*). A salary will be paid similar to the German University Standards (i.e. TVL-13).

The application deadline is 19 March 2023. The interviews will take place in the week of 27 March. Please send your application including a motivation letter, a copy of relevant certificates, a CV, your master or PhD thesis, as well as names, email addresses and telephone numbers of two possible referees as a single PDF file with the subject "OLAMUR application" to Jochen Hinkel (hinkel@globalclimateforum.org). For further information please contact Hinkel.