

Secretariat of the Pacific Regional Environment Programme (SPREP)

APPLICANT INFORMATION PACKAGE GROUNDSMAN (GM) Readvertisement



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A. Background Information on SPREP

SPREP is the regional organisation established by the Governments and Administrations of the Pacific charged with protecting and managing the environment and natural resources of the Pacific. It is based in Apia, Samoa, with about 90 staff and an annual budget of USD \$22 million in 2014.

The establishment of SPREP sends a clear signal to the global community of the deep commitment of Pacific island Governments and Administrations to better management of the environment as a key element of sustainable development.,

The future directions for SPREP are clearly set out in the 2011-2015 SPREP Strategic Plan. This Plan outlines the mandate, vision and programmes for the organisation. The Strategic Plan places strong emphasis on effective delivery of services to SPREP Member countries and territories.

Mandate

SPREP's **mandate** is to promote cooperation in the Pacific region and provide assistance in order to protect and improve its environment and to ensure sustainable development for present and future generations.

Vision

SPREP is guided by its **vision for the future:** "The Pacific environment, sustaining our livelihoods and natural heritage in harmony with our cultures".

Members

SPREP has 21 Pacific island member countries and territories (American Samoa, Cook Islands, Federated States of Micronesia, Fiji, French Polynesia, Guam, Kiribati, Marshall Islands, Nauru, New Caledonia, Niue, Northern Marianas, Palau, Papua New Guinea, Samoa, Solomon Islands, Tokelau, Tonga, Tuvalu, Vanuatu and Wallis & Futuna) and 5 developed countries (Australia, France, New Zealand, United Kingdom and United States of America) with direct interests in the region.

Divisions

The SPREP Strategic priorities are delivered through four divisions:

- Climate Change: has lead responsibility for Adaptation, Science & Policy and Mitigation.
- **Biodiversity & Ecosystem Management:** has lead responsibility for Coastal & Marine, Threatened & Migratory Species, Invasive Species and Biodiversity.
- Waste Management & Pollution Control: has lead responsibility for Hazardous Waste Management, Pollution and Solid Waste Management.
- **Environmental Monitoring & Governance:** has lead responsibility for Environmental Monitoring & Planning and Governance.

The divisions work in an integrated way on project development and implementation.

Corporate Services & Internal Audit

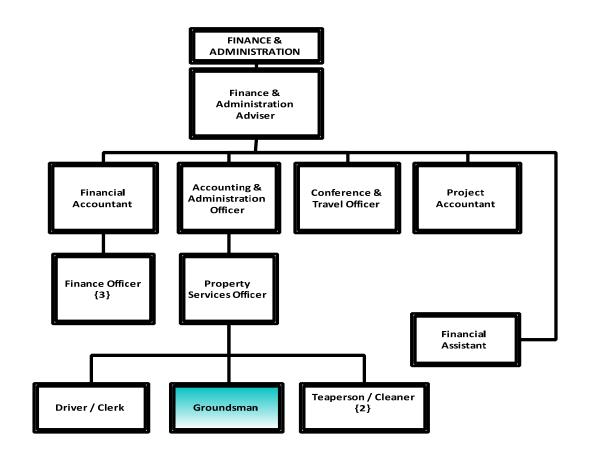
Corporate Services provide corporate support to the delivery of the Secretariat's strategic priorities and include Finance & Administration, Human Resources Management, Information Technology, Information Resources & Archives, Communications & Outreach and Monitoring & Evaluation. The Internal Audit Unit provides independent monitoring of

the organisation's operation internal controls.	ons and governand	ce procedures includ	ding risk management ar	nd

B. JOB DESCRIPTION

Job Title:	Groundsman (GM)	
Division:	Corporate Services	
Programme:	Finance and Administration	
Responsible To:	Property Services Officer (PSO)	
Responsible For: (Total number of staff)	N/A	
Job Purpose:	This job exists to: • Maintain the SPREP compound	
Date:	February 2014	

Organisation Context



Key Result Areas

The position of Groundsman (GM) addresses the following Key Result Areas:

- 1. Gardening and grounds maintenance
- 2. Maintenance and cleaning services

The requirements in the above Key Result Areas are broadly identified below.

Jobholder is accountable for		Jobholder is successful when	
1.	Gardening and Grounds maintenance;a) Maintain the SPREP gardens and groundsb) Provide advice on improvements in the compound and gardening requirements	Gardens and grounds are well maintained	
2.	 Maintenance and cleaning services; a) Maintain and ensure the cleanliness of the generator room, trades workshop and rubbish depot; b) Assist in general cleaning duties; c) Ensure all gardening equipment and tools are accounted for and secured. 	 Generator room, trades workshop and rubbish depot are kept clean at all times Rubbish collected on time Tool log maintained and updated All equipment are accounted for and maintained 	

Note

The above performance standards are provided as a guide only. The precise performance measures for this position will need further discussion between the Jobholder and Director/Supervisor as part of the performance development process.

This section may be copied directly into the Performance Development Plan.

Work Complexity

Most challenging duties typically undertaken:

- Ensuring maintenance of the compound is in line with Green Plan
- Ensuring safety when using gardening tools and equipment

Functional Relationships & Related Skills

Key internal and/or external contacts	Nature of the contact most typical
Grounds service providers	MonitoringLandscaping and gardening

Internal

- Executive Management
- Green Plan Committee
- All Staff

- Cleaning guidance and assistance
- Building and maintenance assistance

Level of Delegation

The position holder:

has no authority of delegation

Person Specification

This section is designed to capture the expertise required for the role at the 100% fully effective level (this does not necessarily reflect what the current jobholder has). This may be a combination of knowledge / experience, qualifications or equivalent level of learning through experience or key skills, attributes or job specific competencies.

Qualifications

Essential

1. Secondary school or equivalent

Knowledge / Experience

Essential

- 2. At least 5 years relevant experience
- 3. Sound knowledge of gardening and grounds maintenance practices
- 4. Excellent communication and interpersonal skills with a good command of spoken English

Key Skills / Attributes / Job Specific Competencies

The following levels would typically be expected for the 100% fully effective level:

Expert level	•	Gardening and grounds maintenance Cleaning
Advanced level	•	Landscaping
Working Knowledge	•	Environmental friendly practices
Awareness	•	SPREP's work and values

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Key Behaviours

All staff are expected to uphold SPREP's Organisational Values and Code of Conduct which are Key Behaviours forming part of the Performance Development:

- Environmental Leadership
- Service Delivery
- Valuing our People
- Integrity

Change to job description

From time to time it may be necessary to consider changes in the Job Description in response to the changing nature of our work environment—including technological requirements or statutory changes. This Job Description may be reviewed as part of the preparation for performance planning for the annual performance cycle or as required.

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C. REMUNERATION PACKAGE – TERMS & CONDITIONS

Duty Station: Apia, Samoa.

Duration: Appointment is for a term of three years and may be renewable for a further term(s) based on the needs of SPREP at the time, its funding situation and proven merit and work performance.

Grade: Appointment will be at Band 1 of SPREP's authorised salary scale for locally recruited staff.

Salary: The basic salary range for this position is from SAT\$9, 652 to SAT\$14, 479. Starting salary will be made in the lower end of the salary scale based on the Secretariat's established remuneration guidelines. All positions have been evaluated to reflect the level of responsibilities and level of experience and qualifications required. Progress in the salary scale will be based on annual performance reviews.

Term: Appointment is subject to a satisfactory medical examination, as well as a 6 months' probationary period.

An appointment is terminated by (i) completion of term of contract (ii) one month's notice by either party (iii) without notice by either party paying one month salary in lieu of notice or (iv) dismissed with or without notice as a disciplinary measure.

Performance Reviews: Annual performance assessments and performance rewards will be based on the Secretariat's Performance Development System.

Annual Leave: 15 working days a year (up to a maximum accumulation of 50 days).

Sick Leave: 30 working days a year (up to a maximum accumulation of 90 days).

Other Leave: Provisions also exist for maternity, compassionate, paternity, examination and special leave (without pay).

Duty Travel: SPREP meets travelling expenses at prescribed rates necessarily incurred by staff required to travel away from Apia on official business.

Life and Accidental Death and Disability Insurance: All employees are covered by SPREP's 24 hour Life and Accidental Death and Disability Insurance Policy.

Medical Benefits: All employees and their dependants are entitled to have all reasonable medical, dental and optical expenses met, under the terms and conditions of the SPREP in-house Medical Treatment Scheme.

Superannuation: SPREP will pay 7% of basic salary to the Samoa National Provident Fund.

Overtime: Locally recruited staff at Band 7 and below may claim overtime or time off in lieu of overtime for the hours they are required to work in excess of their normal working hours. A meal allowance and transport assistance are also available subject to terms and conditions set out by the Staff Regulations.

Gratuity Payment: The appointee is entitled to a gratuity payment equivalent to two week's salary, upon successful completion of 2 consecutive 3-year contracts, provided the contract is not extended or renewed.

Learning and Development: Learning and development opportunities will be based on the approved SPREP Performance Development System and individual Performance Development Plans.

Transport: Transport from and to central Apia before and after work is provided.

Definitions:

'Dependant' means the financially dependent spouse or dependent child of an employee.

'Dependent child' means an employee's unmarried, financially dependent, natural or legally adopted child who is:

- under the age of 16 years; or
- under the age of 19 years if undertaking full-time study at a secondary school; or
- under the age of 25 years if enrolled and undertaking full-time study at a university or other tertiary institution; or
- mentally or physically incapacitated.

Equal Opportunities: SPREP is an Equal Opportunity Employer. Men and women are equally eligible for all posts in SPREP.

General: Appointment will be under the terms and conditions of SPREP's Staff Regulations, a copy of which will be made available to the successful applicant.

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4. ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

ESSENTIAL: Applications should include:

- 1. Completed Application Form can be downloaded from the Employment Section of our website;
- 2. A detailed Curriculum Vitae.

Applications that do not complete the SPREP Application Form and submit all the requirements stated above will not be considered.

Submitting applications:

- a) **BY EMAIL**: Subject matter to be clearly marked "**Application for Groundsman**" and send to recruitment@sprep.org (**Most preferred option**) OR
- b) **BY POST OR FAX**: Application to be addressed and sent to: The Director General, SPREP, P O Box 240, Apia or fax number (685)20231 and clearly marked "**Application for Groundsman**"

All enquiries to be directed to Ms Christine Purcell, Assistant HR Officer, on telephone (685) 21929 ext 328 or Email: christinep@sprep.org

Closing date: Friday, 11th April, 2014: Late applications will not be considered.

Previous applicants need not reapply as all applications received will be considered.

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