**CMS Early Career Springboard Fellowship**

The Centre for Marine Socioecology was established in Australia to address the current and future use of our marine coasts and oceans. The CMS is a collaboration between the University of Tasmania, CSIRO and the Australian Antarctic Division and brings together disciplinary expertise in physics, law, economics, biology, sociology, psychology and governance, amongst others. The CMS uses this expertise to focus on core themes targeting complex issues including:

**Coastal & Marine Governance**
- Indigenous & local knowledge
- Integrated Ecosystem management
- Marine Law & policy
- Human behaviour
- Coastal conflict

**Sustainable Futures & Planetary Health**
- Food production and food security
- Renewable Energy & the Blue Economy
- Marine systems & the Sustainable Development Goals

**Environmental Change & Adaptation**
- Climate change adaptation at local, regional & global scales
- Marine plastics & debris
- Cumulative impacts & multiple drivers of change

**Knowledge Production**
- Interdisciplinary & transdisciplinary research approaches
- Participatory approaches to knowledge production

**Science Engagement & Impact**
- Science communication & engagement to support ocean literacy
- Knowledge brokering and path to impact

The CMS invites early career researchers (ECRs) with promising track records to apply for a CMS Springboard Fellowship. The Fellowship provides an exciting opportunity for the CMS to support new relationships with emerging scholars and for ECRs to build productive research links with the CMS. The purpose of the fellowship is to spend time with CMS researchers to develop the basis of an external application that if successful, would cover the applicant’s post-doctoral salary and can be submitted to an external agency in 2020 (e.g., ARC DECRA, FRDC, or an international scheme).

Potential projects planned within a Fellowship should be interdisciplinary, align with one or more of the CMS core themes, and be developed in collaboration with one or more CMS researchers. Details of recent CMS annual reports describing research outputs and training activities are available here-
http://marinesocioecology.org/publications/annual-report/
Details of CMS members can be found here-
http://marinesocioecology.org/people-2/members/

**What does the CMS Visiting Fellowship offer?**

Successful applicants will be awarded up to $5000.00 (AUD) to support the candidate’s travel, accommodation and subsistence. The fellow is expected to spend 2-4 weeks at the CMS before January 31st 2020. Potential candidates currently not receiving a full time salary can also apply for (up to) an additional $2000.00 (AUD) in funding.
**Expectations**

During their visit the successful applicant/s will be expected to develop an application, in collaboration with CMS members, suitable for a post-doctoral project funding scheme such as an ARC DECRA ([https://www.arc.gov.au/grants/discovery-program/discovery-early-career-researcher-award-decra](https://www.arc.gov.au/grants/discovery-program/discovery-early-career-researcher-award-decra)) or similar. If the application is successful, the project will be undertaken through the CMS & the University of Tasmania.

Fellows will also be asked to present a short seminar of their proposed application as part of their visit.

**Eligibility**

This Fellowship is available to researchers who are up to 5 years post-PhD (career interruptions will be taken into consideration, in line with ARC guidelines for career interruptions). Applicants should have experience making them competitive for an ARC DECRA (or equivalent fellowship).

**Application process**

Please provide:

- A one-page proposal outlining the project or general research topic to be scoped during the visit, how it includes interdisciplinary research and how it aligns with one or more of the CMS core themes
- Name of the proposed CMS member/s to work with
- CV (no more than 2 pages)
- Brief budget and proposed time of visit

Applicants are encouraged to contact the relevant theme leaders prior to submission.

The CMS is building an inclusive culture supporting and promoting diversity throughout our centre. We encourage all people to apply for this Fellowship.

**Applications should be sent to**

Madeline Green (Madeline.green@utas.edu.au) & relevant theme leaders

Theme leader contact information

- Coastal & Marine Governance: Karen Alexander & Pedro Fidelman
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- Sustainable Futures & Planetary Health: Kirsty Nash & Anna Farmery
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