



# REDISCOVERY CENTRE

**Education Facilitator**

**The Rediscovery Centre, Ballymun, Dublin 9**

## **The Rediscovery Centre**

The Rediscovery Centre is the National Centre for the Circular Economy. It supports the development of the circular economy, and advocates for a more resilient, equitable society. The Rediscovery Centre is a creative space connecting people, ideas and resources. We bring together the skills and expertise of artists, scientists, designers, and craftsmen united in a common purpose of sustainability through resource efficiency and reuse. Sustainability is at the core of the Rediscovery Centre, which aims to break away from the traditional views of waste and natural resources and instead demonstrate the potential of the circular economy. For more information, please see [www.rediscoverycentre.ie](http://www.rediscoverycentre.ie).

The Rediscovery Centre is very active in the field of sustainability, environmental and STEM education. The Rediscovery Centre offers a range of education workshops for primary and secondary school students, which focus on interactive, practical learning. The school workshops are linked to the national curricula, and are based on hands-on enquiry and experiential learning, tailored to class requirements. Workshops are offered onsite in the Rediscovery Centre's Boiler House in Ballymun, Co. Dublin, virtually online, and outreach in schools and libraries. We deliver workshops on topics related to sustainability, environmental issues, science, technology, engineering and maths (STEM).

We are currently seeking enthusiastic and flexible individuals with a passion for environmental education to join our panel of Environmental Education part-time facilitators. The ideal candidates will have a passion for education and the environment, particularly STEM fields, and the ability to lead & inspire children and young adults. Excellent interpersonal skills and a friendly and professional manner are essential. The ideal candidates must be strong team players.

## **The Role**

This role is an independent contractor position: part-time flexible hours contract of service, subject to the ongoing requirements of the Rediscovery Centre's Education team.

Reporting directly to the Head of Education, the Environmental Education Facilitator role will relate primarily to the delivery and facilitation of primary and second level environmental education workshops.

The role will include but will not be limited to:

- Delivery of Rediscovery Centre's primary school workshops in schools, libraries, and at other events nationwide (outreach, onsite at the Rediscovery Centre, or virtually via Zoom)
- Delivery of Rediscovery Centre's second level school workshops in schools, libraries, and at other events in the Leinster area (mainly, but not restricted to, Dublin, Meath, Wicklow, Kildare) and events nationwide (outreach, onsite at the Rediscovery Centre, or virtually via Zoom)
- Ensuring the professional delivery of all Rediscovery Centre education programmes
- Preparation of materials for workshops
- Supervising Rediscovery Centre interns where present
- Ensuring the completion and submission of an evaluation form to the Rediscovery Centre for each workshop delivered
- Adhering to all operational plans as directed by the Head of Education and Education Officers
- Safe and timely return of all educational resources and equipment
- Having regard to all applicable environmental, health and safety policies
- Other activities as direct by the Head of Education
- Other tasks as the Rediscovery Centre may reasonably direct from time to time.

## Terms and Conditions of Employment

*Note: This summary is supplied for information only and does not constitute contractual terms.*

This is a part-time flexible hours contract of service, subject to the ongoing requirements of the Rediscovery Centre's Education team. Some work outside normal office hours will be required from time to time. The role is seasonably variable due to school demand.

Fees will be paid at a daily flat rate scale, which is dependent on the number of hours of workshop delivery.

Access to own transport is essential for outreach workshops.

This position is subject to Garda Vetting and foreign police clearance (if applicable).

## The Application Process

Expressions of interest in the form of a CV and covering letter illustrating how your skills and experience match the requirements of the post should be emailed to: [info@rediscoverycentre.ie](mailto:info@rediscoverycentre.ie), marked for the attention of Sarah Clear. The covering letter should be a maximum of 2 pages. The closing date for applications is **24 June 2022**.

Based on the information contained in the CV and cover letter, the interview committee will select candidates for interview. Shortlisting and interview decisions will be based on the committee's assessment of candidates' qualifications, experience and skills in the following areas:

### Essential

- A relevant third-level qualification in environmental science, science communication, teaching or other relevant qualification
- 2 years' proven experience in sustainability, STEM, or environmental education
- Knowledge of the primary and/or secondary curricula and programmes such as Green Schools
- The ability to inspire and motivate children and adults to engage with the environment, science, engineering and maths
- Excellent facilitation skills, especially with young people
- Excellent communication skills, both oral and written
- Full clean driving licence and access to own transport **is essential**. Please indicate in your application that you have both licence and access to transport.
- Knowledge of, or a strong interest in, environmental issues and sustainability
- Strong IT skills, particularly Zoom, Microsoft Word, PowerPoint, and Excel
- Strong organisational skills, excellent interpersonal skills, a flexible and enthusiastic approach to work, professionalism and reliability

### Desirable

- Competency in Irish would be an advantage
- Experience in working with special/additional needs students

### Interviews

Interviews will take place at the Rediscovery Centre in Ballymun **on 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> July**.

All applications will be treated in the strictest confidence. References will be sought for candidates who come under serious consideration for the post, with the prior agreement of candidates. The Rediscovery Centre is not able to reimburse any expenses incurred by candidates to attend interview.