**Shell-volution Project Director Role**

We are looking to recruit an experienced marine scientist, with a track record of innovative industry collaboration in the field of sustainable aquaculture, as the Director for the Shell-volution project.

Shell-volution is an ambitious and innovative initiative aimed at developing the knowledge base that will transform Scotland’s mussel farming industry, and ultimately, the mussel farming industry in other parts of the world.

The project has been awarded £4.4 million in funding from the UK Government through the Islands Growth Deal. This ground-breaking project is led by an Industry, University (University of the Highlands and Islands) and the public sector partnership.

The project has been developed to enhance productivity, employment, and sustainability in the Shetland aquaculture sector over the next decade. The project is aligned with the National Aquaculture Growth Strategy (to 2030) and the overall Scotland Food and Drink Strategy and is dedicated to enhancing scientific knowledge with the practical outcome of understanding and overcoming the barriers that are currently limiting the mussel industry in Scotland to increase annual production targets to 18,000 tonnes p.a. by 2038.

**This role will be based in Shetland**

**Department name –** Academic and Research

**Pay and Benefits –** 1.0 FTE at UHI Grade 8 (£49,384 - £52,393)

**Recruitment Process**

When completing the application form please ensure that you clearly evidence how you meet the selection criteria identified on the relevant person specification.

**The deadline for submitting your application is -** 6th January 2025 (extended because of the Christmas break)

**Shortlisting will take place on -** 16th January 2025

**Interviews will be held by videoconferencing on –** 3rd and 4th of February 2025

If you have any queries regarding our recruitment and selection process, or if you would like to request any reasonable adjustments to either the recruitment process or the prospective job, please contact the [HR team](mailto:personnel@uhi.ac.uk) as soon as possible.

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