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## **MESOAMERICAN REEF FISHERIES REGIONAL ADVISOR**

THE MESOAMERICAN REEF PROGRAM

### **ESSENTIAL FUNCTIONS:**

The Mesoamerican Reef (MAR) Fisheries Regional Advisor develops, manages and advances conservation programs, plans and methods for larger-scale ecoregions. Requires sufficient knowledge and work experience at the following functions:

- Plans and directs marine reserves management programs and stewardship for fisherman communities
- Addresses critical threats to natural ecosystems and fish populations in particular key biological events like spawning aggregations
- Coordinate activities of regional and national networks of practitioners for Fish Spawning aggregations.
- Develops and implements conservation strategies for sustainable fisheries and key biological habitat conservation for target species.
- Lead process to create both local and national public awareness and political will to implement fish conservation strategies.
- Fosters cross-site learning among the international conservation community in the Mesoamerican Reef (Honduras, Guatemala, Belize and Mexico (Quintana Roo)).
- Supplies ecoregional planning teams with information for priority site portfolios.
- Knowledge of politics and society with respect to environmental affairs, support team to develop public awareness campaigns.

### **REQUIREMENTS:**

- BA/BS, Biologist or Ecologist degree and 5 years experience in marine resource and fisheries management, or equivalent combination of education and experience.
- Experience in fisheries biology and conservation and coastal community livelihood activities.
- Experience in Fish Key habitat ecology and conservation approaches.
- Experience negotiating complex agreements.
- Experience communicating with the public and/or media both in writing and verbally in both English and Spanish.
- Experience using common software applications such as Word, Excel, Web browsers, GIS and/or data management etc.

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