

Zackenberg Logistics Manager

Are scientific operations support in remote parts of Greenland your thing? Does heading the logistics operations of one of the most renowned Arctic Research Stations sound interesting? Do you have proven management skills and in-depth knowledge as well as hands-on experience of research station logistics in polar regions? Zackenberg Research Station and Department of Ecoscience at Aarhus University is looking for a Logistics Manager from 1 April 2022 or as soon as possible for a permanent position.

Job description

The Logistics Manager have the day-to-day responsibility for the logistics team, operating the station, ensuring a safe environment for guests and personnel as well as the safety of the station and its many facilities while operating at full capacity during the open season (typically April through October with peak season from June to September). Together with the Scientific Leader and the Scientific Coordinator, the Logistic Manager forms the Station Management administrating the station according to the operating agreement with the owner (Greenland Government). The Logistics Manager reports to the deputy head of department at the Department of Ecoscience and to the Zackenberg Scientific Leader regarding the station's general development and focus.

The logistics group includes management of two full time logisticians and a number of seasonal personnel (e.g. specialists, technicians, cooks). To support the scientific activities, the work is carried out in close collaboration with AU researchers and external partners, among others defence personnel at Daneborg, flight operators etc. Tasks include among much other:

1. Day-today management of the logistics team in relation to station operations
Operations and capacity plans for each year
Prepare operations budget in collaboration with the daily management team (Zackenberg Scientific Leader and Scientific Coordinator)
Prepare, maintain and implement guidelines and checklists and servicing of the station's guests in connection with for example: Maintaining a safe work environment for visiting researchers, employees and guests
Maintaining the safety of the station and all it's equipment
Opening and closure of the station for the season
Internal and external communication
Use and maintenance of snowmobiles, ATV and other vehicles, satellite phones and weapons
Ensure the supervision of buildings, technical installations and equipment and ensure that they are repaired either by our own staff or, alternatively, from external parties.
Arranging the transport of personnel, equipment and supplies.
Contributing to the development of a green transition of the station's power production, sustainable operations, buildings etc.
Collecting data re. services provided to guests and ensure invoicing with focus on long term sustainability of the station economy.
Financial management, logistics planning, job advertisements, etc. Close collaboration with the Zackenberg Scientific Leader on the strategic as well as the general development of the station
Many other obligations needed for keeping an Arctic research station with the capacity of 25 people up and running through late winter/spring, summer and fall.

Your profile

You have proven skills from running similar logistics operations in polar regions. You have a bachelor's degree, a master's degree or similar in logistics or natural science, a contractor's license with subsequent management experience or other relevant training for ensuring a safe and professional operation of the station. We expect you to have a lot of practical experience with logistics work and research support in either the Arctic or Antarctic. Hence, we expect excellent planning skills and the ability to keep a cool head when things change during execution and that you are used to working across academic environments in an international research context.

As a logistics manager, you are open minded with focus on good communication and co-operation and have proven modern leadership skills to use leading the logistics

Application Deadline:
01 February 2022

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Institute/Faculty:
Department of Ecoscience

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Vacant positions:
1

Hours per week:
37

Expected date of accession:
01/06/2022

team. Communication and collaborating with your colleagues at all levels of the organization is key to the successful logistics manager for Zackenberg Research Station. Being responsible for the day-to-day operations and annual budget of the station logistics you have good economic sense and IT skills. As the station is international, you must be proficient in English. Danish skills are an asset but not a prerequisite.

As the main purpose of the station is to support the scientific activities around Zackenberg and Young Sound, It is important that you have a fundamental interest and respect for the research activities. In addition, you must have a personal drive, be proactive, but also be able to thrive on routine work and service tasks. You have a structured approach to your work, you can organise your own work as well as that of the logistics group and to delegate and get things done – all in an open, appreciative and constructive spirit. You thrive on working independently as well as with your colleagues in day-to-day management and with the overall management. You are a friendly and accommodating person who can talk to everyone, regardless of status, age, gender, ethnicity, political and sexual orientation, or social status, and you focus on a good work environment. You must have a diplomatic flair, be flexible and be prepared to spend a large part of your time at the Zackenberg Research Station (min. 10-12 weeks a year).

Who we are

Zackenberg Research Station (<https://g-e-m.dk/gem-localities/zackenberg/>) is an ecosystem research and monitoring facility at Zackenberg (74°28' N, 20°34' W) in Northeast Greenland. A branch facility is situated at Daneborg, 25 km north-east of Zackenberg. Each year, Zackenberg Research Station hosts many researchers visiting from all over the world from late winter (March/April) through late fall (October/November). Research is carried out across the full ecosystem spectra from glaciers across terrestrial permafrost landscapes to the marine fiords and coastal areas. Funding for the running of the station comes from the Danish Government, user payments and grants from private foundations. Zackenberg is owned by The Government of Greenland and is operated by the Department of Ecoscience, Aarhus University.

The Department of Ecoscience is project-based and engaged in research, talent development and consultancy covering all major biological sub-disciplines, and we conduct world-class research in the areas of ecosystem ecology including Arctic environment and ecosystems, aquatic biology and ecology, and biodiversity and conservation biology. The Department currently employs approximately 280 academic and technical staff.

The Department holds a strong position in international biodiversity, nature and environmental research and is a national leader in research-based consultancy including activities in both Denmark and Greenland. Our research focuses on how ecological framework conditions, historical conditions, natural processes and anthropogenic changes of nature and the environment affect our surrounding nature. We explore the underlying ecological and geographical mechanisms and work on understanding human impact on biodiversity and ecosystems. Particular focus is on how current climate change and other global anthropogenic environmental changes affect nature and biodiversity.

The Department of Ecoscience plays a leading role in providing advice to the Danish and Greenlandic authorities on environmental issues. The Department also leads the Greenland Ecosystem Monitoring ([GEM](#)) programme focusing on effects of climate change on the Arctic ecosystems. One of the central research sites of GEM is Zackenberg Research Station.

What we offer

We offer a permanent position that takes its focus in one of the world's most beautiful settings in the Northeast-Greenland National Park. We are currently planning to ensure a green transition focusing mostly on green energy and newest standards for polar research stations.

The Department of Ecoscience offers a vibrant and informal research environment with longstanding traditions for collaboration with international university partners in the absolute elite. The working environment at the Department of Ecoscience is based on teamwork and close working relations with developed professional and social network activities among young scientists. The working languages are English and Danish, and we welcome applicants from abroad. Read about the Danish work-life balance and the services available when relocating to Aarhus University at www.au.dk/work.

Place of work and area of employment

The place of work is at Frederiksborgvej 399, DK-4000 Roskilde, Denmark, and the area of employment is Aarhus University with affiliated institutions.

Contact information

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Formalities and salary range

Salary and terms as agreed between the Danish Ministry of Finance and the Confederation of Professional Unions.

Aarhus University's ambition is to be an attractive and inspiring workplace for all and to foster a culture in which each individual has opportunities to thrive, achieve and develop. We view equality and diversity as assets, and we welcome all applicants.

The application must be submitted via Aarhus University's recruitment system, which can be accessed under the job advertisement on Aarhus University's website.

Aarhus University

Aarhus University is an academically diverse and research-intensive university with a strong commitment to high-quality research and education and the development of society nationally and globally. The university offers an inspiring research and teaching environment to its 38,000 students (FTEs) and 8,000 employees, and has an annual revenues of EUR 885 million. Learn more at www.international.au.dk/