

**Start of contract**

01.12.2026

**Deadline**

30.10.2026

**Job offer code**

W/OZ/022

**Employment duration**

permanent

**Weekly hours**

39

**Salary**

EG 11 according to
public tariff TVöD
VKA, if personal
requirements are met

The Ocean Museum Germany (Deutsches Meeresmuseum) is looking for a

Team leader (m/f/d) Taxidermy

For many people, the ocean is a place of longing. For us, it is at the centre of our daily work. The Ocean Museum Germany is a nationally and internationally important natural science museum. In our exhibitions, aquariums, and collections, we focus on the diversity of marine life and ocean ecosystems. In our research projects, we investigate current topics of marine biology, coastal oceanography, and fisheries. We are actively involved in nature and species conservation. At our three museum sites, the MEERESMUSEUM, OZEANEUM, and NATUREUM, we inform about the marine environment, threats, and solutions. Our visitors are welcome to immerse in the fantastic underwater world of the tropical and northern seas—with full-size animal models, impressive exhibits, and fascinating aquaria.



Photo: Anke Neumeister/Ocean Museum Germany

Job description

We are looking for a qualified and highly motivated team leader with proven leadership skills and a distinct sense of responsibility for our taxidermy team. The taxidermy team is playing a key role at the interface of research, collections, and exhibitions. Creative ideas, combined with expertise and accuracy, form the basis of our unique models and preserved species.



Your tasks:

- head of the taxidermy team of the museum, lead of team members
- organisation of tasks and financial planning
- collaboration in the maintenance and operation of technical equipment for the taxidermy team; planning of workshops
- collaboration in concepts and realisation of permanent and temporary exhibits
- acquisition of objects for exhibitions and collections, including lead of field trips
- preparing and creating model habitats and casts; bone and skeleton preparation
- concepts for and realisation of conservation measures of particularly valuable, irreplaceable, or very challenging fresh collection material
- establishment of methods for preparation, conservation, and casts for exhibitions and collection items
- collaboration in the scientific acquisition of data and collection items, care of collection databases
- maintenance and safeguarding of collections
- collaboration in scientific necropsies and monitoring of stranded dead marine mammals
- representation of the museum in media and with meeting presentations



Job qualifications:

- completed training as a taxidermist or equivalent multi-year experiences and skills
- several years of relevant experience at a museum, in research, or in a private company
- proven expertise in all common taxidermy techniques
- experience in maintenance of collections
- knowledge of common taxidermy techniques and skilled manual work
- excellent German language skills (spoken and written)
- several years of proven leadership experience
- expertise in planning and organisation, ability to cooperate in a multidisciplinary team
- ability to work in a team; high motivation, creativity, and initiative
- driver's licence for cars

Desirable qualifications:

- knowledge of marine zoology
- solid English language skills



We offer:

- employment in one of the most popular museums in Germany
- company pension scheme
- work-life balance with flexible working hours, option of home office, and part-time employment
- 30 days of annual vacation (31 days from 2027) per year if the working hours are distributed over five days per week
- various training and education opportunities
- company sport
- optional bike leasing
- work in one of the most beautiful cities in Germany
Stralsund is a member of the Hanseatic League and a UNESCO World Heritage Site.



Your application:

Please send your application indicating the above job offer code **by email to bewerbung@meeresmuseum.de**. Closing date of the application is **30.10.2026**.

Your questions:

Director **Burkard Baschek**, burkard.baschek@meeresmuseum.de

Costs incurred during the application process will not be compensated.

Join our team and spark the inspiration for our unique oceans! We are looking forward to receiving your application!