Environmental Careers

Introduction
There are over 230,000 businesses and 1.2 million employees working in the environmental sector. The combination of growing investment, due to a desire to mitigate the effects of climate change, and the fact that over a quarter of the workforce are aged 55 or over means that there is a growing need for graduates and young people in the sector.

General Resources
Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs
www.gov.uk/defra
A Government department, with overall responsibility for policy decisions in a wide range of environmental areas.
What we like: Keeping up your awareness of the political mood surrounding the environmental sector is important, and this is a good resource for this.

ENDS Directory
www.endsdirectory.com/
Online version of the print directory. Features over 1000 environmental consultancies.

Chartered Institute of Water and Environmental Careers (CIWEM)
www.ciwem.org
The CIWEM website has information about different sectors, including the latest trends and forecasts. Also hosts a vacancies board.

Elevator
https://elevatorcafe.com
Elevator is a jobs board that promotes vacancies with social enterprises, charities and purpose driven companies. Join the network to find an ethical job and promote yourself as a freelancer.

EnvironmentJobs.co.uk
www.environmentjobs.co.uk
Vacancies site in collaboration with Green Directory (listed below).

Evergreen Resources
www.evergreen.org.uk/
Specialist recruitment agency dealing with environmental vacancies.

The Green Directory
www.mygreendirectory.net/
Searchable directory of green organisations - manufacturers, consultants, campaigning, etc.

Green Energy Jobs - Career Guide
www.greenenergyjobs.com/career-guide/
An overview of the career opportunities within the Renewable Energy industries.

Let’s Recycle
www.letsrecycle.com/
Website that includes news, chatrooms, jobs listings and a directory of companies in the recycling/waste management area.

Naturenet - Countryside Management & Nature Conservation
www.naturenet.net
Independent countryside and conservation website including blogs, FAQs, links and an extensive careers section that has job profiles, and a vacancies board, with volunteering and paid opportunities.

Trovit Jobs
jobs.trovit.co.uk/
Jobs listing site with a range of technical, scientific, engineering and environmental positions.

Agriculture & Fisheries
British Society of Soil Science (BSSS)
www.soils.org.uk
This society aims to promote the study of soil through research and education. Within the education section there is a list of university courses which include soil science as part of the degree programme.

Croplife International
www.croplife.org
This federation works to promote the plant science industry. The site contains a number of articles and reports on the plant science industry, crop protection and pesticides.

The Guild of Agricultural Journalists
www.gaj.org.uk
Membership of this society is not restricted to journalists. The guild also supports reporters, broadcasters, photographers and media specialists working in agriculture, horticulture and rural industries.

Institution of Agricultural Engineers (IAgrE)
www.iagre.org
The IAgRE is the professional body for the land-based sector; this includes all professions in the agricultural sector as well as allied industries such as forestry, horticulture and the environment.

LANTRA
www.lantra.co.uk
Lantra is the Sector Skills Council for the environmental and land-based industries.

Centre for Environment, Fisheries & Aquaculture Science
www.cefas.defra.gov.uk/
Cefas is an executive agency of the UK's Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, aiming to securing healthy and sustainable marine and freshwater environments so that current and future generations can prosper (rewrite!)
Have vacancies at two laboratories in Suffolk and Conwy.

Environment Agency
www.environment-agency.gov.uk
The Environment Agency is a public body that aims to protect the environment and promote sustainable development.

Horticulture, Cartography & Forestry
Institute of Horticulture
www.horticulture.org.uk
Within the 'useful links' the Institute has provided a list of education and course providers and details of organisations that may be able to offer work experience placements.

Forestry Commission
www.forestry.gov.uk
The Forestry Commission is a government department that delivers practical approaches to ensure that as individuals and as a community we utilise the forests and woodland and the benefits they offer.

Arbjobs.com
www.arbjobs.com
This is a job vacancy board which lists opportunities for arboriculturists, arborists and climbers in the UK and Ireland.

British Cartographic Society (BCS)
www.cartography.org.uk/
The BCS promotes all aspects of cartography to a wide range of potential users. Information about maps and cartography, careers in cartography and current job vacancies.

Horticulture Week
www.hortweek.com
This website is aimed at keeping professionals working in horticulture up-to-date, informed and provides a platform for discussion. This site also contains a useful careers section (click on 'jobs & careers').

Horticulture Jobs
www.horticulturejobs.co.uk
This is a horticulture job vacancy site which can be searched by job area, region, salary or job function.

Careers Tagged
Career Tagged (www.careerstagged.co.uk) is an online careers library. Type a keyword (such as 'Job site') and you'll find information sheets, jobsites, blogs, professional organisations and much more. Narrow your search by typing a second keyword (such as 'France'). All material is vetted and checked by careers staff, to ensure it is useful and relevant. For Environmental Careers, try tags such as ANIMALS, PLANTS, FISHERIES, ENVIRONMENT, HORTICULTURE, FORESTRY, ARBORICULTURAL, NATURAL RESOURCES, ENVIRONMENT, AGRICULTURE, HYDROGEOLOGIST, NATURE CONSERVATION, and ENERGY.

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