

The employment and training sections of Formentera's Office of Social Welfare are driving a tally of local businesses, and are searching for young, qualified and university-educated candidates to fill three posts from December to July.

Applications, open to anyone who is under 30 and registered in the youth covenant of the regional job seekers' service (SOIB), must be received by November 24.

According to department head Vanessa Parellada, the programme seeks to bestow recent graduates of university and technical programmes with professional experience and good work habits.

"Today a university degree is no longer enough to guarantee work for its holder. We're glad to be offering local professionals the chance to work in winter," —the position, she noted, begins in December— "particularly because the project will culminate in something so valuable as a register of local businesses".

The Council has charged Santiago Juan, an employment and local development specialist, with overseeing the project, during which Juan will also act as the youths' mentor. The Council will receive €63,000 from SOIB to carry out the project.