

# JOB ANNOUNCEMENT - Conservation Manager-

Tacugama Chimpanzee Sanctuary has an expanding Community Outreach Programme program that seeks to protect the Western chimpanzee and their habitats by taking a natural resource management approach to sensitize, conduct research, contribute to a human-wildlife co-existence and promote livelihoods in Sierra Leone in both rural and urban areas. The Conservation Manager will develop, coordinate, implement and report the different programmes and projects led by the TCOP department.

## Professional background - Education & Experience

- Master degree or matching experience in Ecology, Biodiversity Conservation or similar.
- Experience in conservation project management.
- A minimum of (3) years of experience working in developing countries. Experience working in Africa is an advantage.
- Demonstrated experience designing and managing research-oriented projects
- Demonstrated experience leading a teams.
- Field work experience in remote areas.
- Fluent in English.
- Experience in Protected Areas Management is appreciated, including surveillance and antipoaching.
- Experience working with communities is appreciated.
- Experience managing large team (10 plus) and diverse group of stakeholders.

# Responsibilities:

- Coordinate and monitor the TCOP team.
- Coordinate and monitor the Ecoguards and patrol activities.
- Coordinate and design wildlife research.
- Coordinate and monitor the Education Programme (TKEEP).
- Design/ implement and/or monitor the alternative livelihoods projects.
- Proposal writing for Outreach/Research activities.
- Coordinate/ monitor and deliver the ongoing projects.



- Monthly report of the activities and projects.
- Report writing to donors.
- Attend and represent Outreach Team in official meetings with stakeholders.
- Creating and maintaining the partnerships internationally and nationally.
- Coordinate and monitor budgets and financial information of the ongoing projects.

#### **Technical skills:**

- GIS Software
- Wildlife survey design and implementation, including transects, recce-walks and camera traps
- GPS
- Cybertracker Software
- SMART Software
- Good data analysis skills
- Good financial tracking and reporting skills

#### Should be familiarized with:

- Sighting Database
- DISTANCE Software

#### Personal skills:

- Good leader
- Fair
- Responsible
- Organized
- Able to work in difficult conditions and under pressure
- Positive
- Flexible
- Eager to learn about wildlife laws, judiciary system in Sierra Leone

## The team:

- (4) Field Officers
- (1) Education and communication coordinator
- (2) Education officers
- (3) Tacugama ecoguards
- (4) National Protected Area Authority rangers.



### **Ongoing Projects:**

- Loma Mountains National Park Conservation Programmes
- Western Area Peninsula National Park Biomonitor and ecoguarding programme
- Jaibui Island Community Conservation Programme
- Mobondah Community Conservation Programme
- Waima Pujehun District community conservation programme.

This is a full-time, six (6) day a week position. One year contract with possibility of extension. To apply for this position please send up-to-date CV and cover letter to <a href="mailto:cm@tacugama.sl">cm@tacugama.sl</a> / <a href="mailto:info@tacugama.com">info@tacugama.com</a>