



POSITION DESCRIPTION SENIOR AFRICA CAMPAIGN COORDINATOR

ROLE PURPOSE

International Rivers envisions a world where healthy rivers and the rights of local communities are valued and protected. Since 1985, International Rivers has been at the heart of the global struggle to protect rivers and the rights of communities that depend on them. Armed with on the ground evidence and cutting-edge research, International Rivers mobilizes civil society and communities to advocate for improved river basin governance, transparent and accountable energy infrastructure, and human rights. We have been the driving force behind iconic campaigns to protect the world's greatest rivers from harmful projects, and pioneered global policy solutions.

We are a global organization with offices in the United States, Asia, South America and Africa. Our small and nimble team are leading effective campaigns in key regions and river basins around the world.

The position of Senior Africa Campaign Coordinator will play an important role in advancing our work in the Democratic Republic of Congo and Guinea, and will be integral to regional movement-building and strengthening partnerships across the continent.

ROLE DIMENSIONS

Status: 1-year contract - The position may be renewed depending on funding availability and program requirements

Location: Remote, preferably within sub-Saharan Africa

Reports to: Regional Director, Africa Program

Travel: Regional and International

Languages required: French and English

ROLE RESPONSIBILITIES

The Senior Africa Campaign Coordinator will work with the Africa Regional Director to design and carry out campaigns in the Republic of Guinea and the Democratic Republic of Congo, as well as the Africa region more broadly.

Movement Building

- Liaise closely with and support campaign priorities of existing partners in the DRC and Guinea, and help identify new potential allies in the region.
- Help design and provide support for learning exchanges between groups of dam-affected communities.
- Help design and deliver training for partners and communities on campaign and campaign and advocacy strategies.
- Support the development of a regional movement for the protection of African rivers.
- Help organize regional and cross-regional movement-building and capacity-building events with partner organizations.
- Support the coordination of a regional campaign on Rights of Rivers and permanent river protection in the DRC.

Advocacy and Outreach

- Work with the Africa Regional Director to design and implement advocacy and campaign strategies as well as represent International Rivers at high level advocacy meetings with civil society, targeting financial and corporate actors, governments, intergovernmental bodies and other campaign targets.
- Help organize public campaign events in Guinea and DRC around International Rivers and joint publications.
- Work with International Rivers communications manager and others to provide communications/media support for campaigns in Guinea and DRC, and for Africa as a whole.
- Support the Africa program in developing and implementing campaigns against destructive dams, promoting clean renewable energy, and realizing the rights of dam affected people.

Research and Analysis

- Undertake field visits to research and report on program activities and liaise closely with target groups.
- Commission, review and oversee technical reports prepared by consultants.
- Help develop positions on cross-cutting topics relevant to International Rivers' work.

Fundraising and Administration

- Assist the Africa Regional Program Director and International Rivers development team in identifying potential funders and stewarding donor relationships.
- Support the preparation of fundraising materials, including grant proposals and reports.
- Assist in the creation and management of program budgets and organizational annual budgets.

- Provide support on administrative duties as assigned by the Africa Program Regional Director.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS, SKILLS & EXPERIENCE

- 4 years' experience in advocacy campaigns, or relevant equivalent experience
- Knowledge and understanding of sustainability and human rights issues.
- Excellent research, writing and verbal communication skills in both English and French.
- Ability to work both independently and as part of a team.
- Excellent computer skills, including Word, Excel, and web savvy.
- Bachelor's degree or equivalent professional experience.

DESIRABLE QUALIFICATIONS, SKILLS & EXPERIENCE

- Experience working in Africa
- A Master's degree
- Experience in working with an international team across varying time zones

COMPETENCIES

- Strong written and verbal command of both English and French
- Ability to clearly evaluate a campaign's performance
- Good analytical skills, as well as an eye for detail
- Good interpersonal skills and comfortable working with grassroots communities
- Ability to handle limited administrative tasks
- Ability to work in a fast-paced, dynamic and international environment

HOW TO APPLY

Please email your CV, cover letter and a short writing sample in French to the following e-mail address: jobpost@internationalrivers.org

The subject line should be: **Senior Africa Campaign Coordinator 2022:**

Please note that due to the high volume of candidates applying for this position, only those candidates invited for an interview will be contacted.

Closing date for applications is: 11 March 2022