Congo Basin Forests Program Officer

Full time - As soon as possible

Together we are the solution.

WWF is an international environmental foundation, with partnerships in more than 100 countries, with industry and government agencies, and supported by nearly 6 million members. It enjoys international recognition which allows it to propose complex projects to be implemented for the preservation of nature.

WWF is looking for a **Congo Basin Forests Program Officer** to support WWF Cameroon, Congo and Gabon teams in the valuation of payments for ecosystem services and contribute to the development of community forests. The position will be based in one of WWF's offices in the Congo Basin, with frequent travel to other countries in the ecoregion, and is funded by WWF-France. The program manager will work in close collaboration with the various offices and the Forest Hub Coordinator.

Job duties

In support of the forestry teams of Gabon, Congo-Brazzaville and Cameroon). The position based in Brazzaville, will be under the responsibility of the Forest Hub Coordinator and will have the following main missions:

- Manage the implementation of field projects in conjunction with the WWF France, Cameroon, Congo and Gabon offices, by preparing, managing and reporting to public and private donors;
 - Lead projects and provide technical support on the theme of community forestry;
- Develop payment for ecosystem services projects favorable to biodiversity and climate, with private forest concessionaires and/or community forests.

Required profile

With a minimum BAC +5 training in ecology, management or forest economics (engineering school or university), you have a minimum of 5 years of experience during which you have acquired in particular:

- A practice of tropical forest management in the Congo Basin;
- An ability to develop and manage field projects;
- Proven knowledge of community forestry and the challenges of managing biodiversity and carbon in the forest;

• Knowledge of payment mechanisms for ecosystem services (including REDD+) as well as tools for managing and assessing biodiversity and carbon in the forest.

To succeed in this position, you also have the following skills and qualities:

- French and English (oral and written);
- Capacity development and project management;
- Good oral and writing skills;
- Force of conviction, good capacities for animation, communication and adaptation to different interlocutors, both in the public and private sectors;
 - Ability to work transversally, in networks and in teams;
 - Organization, rigour, autonomy.

Job conditions

- Position to be filled on a full-time permanent contract
- Remuneration according to profile and experience
- Position based at the headquarters of one of the WWF offices in the Congo Basin ecoregion
- Plan regular trips to Gabon, Cameroon and Congo

Today you want to put your enthusiasm and your expertise at the service of the protection of the environment and local communities, and the objectives of the WWF?

Please send your CV, cover letter and salary expectations to the following address: wwfgab@wwfgab.org no later than 27 June 2023 indicating imperatively in the subject line "CONGO BASIN FORESTS".