



Tropenbos International (TBI) is looking for
Programme Coordinator Restoration and Ethiopia
(32-36 hours/wk – m/f)

Tropenbos International (TBI) seeks to achieve climate-smart landscapes by emphasizing and increasing the role and contribution of forests and trees for climate change adaptation and mitigation. We generate knowledge, build capacities and facilitate informed dialogue leading to impacts in terms of inclusive governance, sustainable land use and responsible finance and business, for and with local men and women foresters and farmers, communities and forest and farm producers organisations. The Tropenbos International Network consists of a Programme secretariat Netherlands and six Network partners, and currently implements projects in 12 countries. The work of TBI is supported by grants from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and a range of other international and local donors. The main programmes include the Working Landscapes Programme and the Green Livelihoods Alliance (GLA, with Milieudefensie and IUCN NL).

Over the next few years, within the scope of the Working Landscapes Programme (2019-2023), TBI intends to establish a programme on forest and landscape restoration as a contribution to climate-smart landscapes, focusing on Ethiopia and Sahelian drylands in Africa – a significant extension of TBI's scope. This will provide a challenging and exciting opportunity for a qualified natural resources management specialist (m/f), to pioneer and coordinate this development in the programme.

With our new partners in the region you will work to implement our long-term programmes to promote the role of trees and forests in climate-smart landscapes. You will also work with your colleagues to help TBI to grow and develop.

Duties and Responsibilities

Coordination TBI programme for dryland countries in Africa

- Design and implement the TBI programme development strategy for Ethiopia and Sahelian drylands zones
- Develop a network with relevant contacts and organisations in the Netherlands and the region
- Conduct identification mission(s) to 1-2 dryland zone countries (initially Ethiopia) in order to establish relations with potential partner organisations, the wider development community, Netherlands diplomatic missions;
- Coordinate the development of country-specific Theories of Change contributing to the WL programme
- Support (guide, coach) local partner organization(s) in implementing the programme
- Implement an institutional development programme for local partner organisations to eventually graduate to TBI Network membership

Implementation of the Forest and Landscape Restoration (FLR) theme

- Develop and implement the FLR thematic programme of the Working Landscapes (WL) programme

- Strengthen specific WL country programmes in implementing FLR components of their work
- Stimulate emergence of coherent cross-cutting FLR elements in the country programmes, including in the dryland countries
- Ensure international visibility, dissemination and potentially results of TBI FLR activities, for instance towards Bonn Challenge, Forums such as GPFLR, land-oriented platforms
- Strengthen the FLR programme in arid countries through project acquisition

General

- Contribute to the implementation of TBI's programmes, specifically where relevant to arid zone countries and the FLR theme
- Contribute to TBI project acquisition and fundraising

Requirements

- At least 5 years of relevant experience as a development or natural resources management specialist, supported by a relevant degree, preferably a PhD or comparable.
- At least 2 -3 years of experience working and living in Africa, preferably in one of the countries listed above
- A proven track record and expertise on African dryland Forest and Landscape Restoration and/or Ethiopia or the Sahel will be an asset
- Critical thinker with good analytical skills.
- Demonstrated experience in project coordination and management.
- Demonstrated ability to operate between different disciplinary fields.
- Demonstrated ability to work in interdisciplinary teams and in a multi-cultural environment.
- Good communication and writing skills, both among peers and towards our target groups, in English and French.
- Willingness to travel abroad regularly (missions of 1-2 weeks each, several times a year).

Our offer

- A varied job in a dynamic field of development, an international setting, and a well-respected organization with a team of colleagues committed to sustainability.
- Contract for the duration of three years, for 32-36 hours per week
- A competitive salary commensurate to function, experience and education, conforming to non-profit sector standards.
- A workplace in Wageningen.
- Tropenbos International is an equal opportunity employer

How to apply

- Interested and qualified candidates should send their letter of motivation and CV in English to the attention of **Ellen Top**, Office Manager, ellen.top@tropenbos.org mentioning "Application Programme Coordinator Africa" in the subject header.
- The deadline for applications is **Monday 13 January 2020**
- Short-listed candidates will be invited for an interview that will take place in week 5, from 27 until 31 January 2020.
- A personal assessment may be part of the procedure.
- Applicants must be a national of or have a valid work permit for the European Union.

Further information

- For further information about this position, please contact: Roderick Zagt (roderick.zagt@tropenbos.org - 0317- 70 20 28)
- For further information about TBI, visit our website www.tropenbos.org