



PROGRAMME DIRECTOR

GATSBY AFRICA – KENYA COMMERCIAL FORESTRY PROGRAMME

Location: Nairobi

Closing date: Sunday 30 April 2017

Do you have the strategic vision, experience and leadership skills to drive a programme taking on the challenge of transforming a key sector in Kenya? Could you inspire and mentor a new team to catalyse change, while bringing stakeholders together around a shared long-term vision and influencing decision-makers at the highest levels? Do you have experience of private sector development, and a desire to contribute to real change that will create jobs, raise incomes and benefit hundreds of thousands of people for the long-term?

Kenya's forestry sector is central to its economy and its future. But it faces a serious wood supply gap that will only get worse due to accelerating population growth and industrialisation.

Gatsby Africa has established the Kenya Commercial Forestry Programme (KCFP) to help tackle this challenge. KCFP will have a long-term outlook and flexible approach – with the scope to think creatively and test innovative ways of catalysing change for large-scale impact.

With a team in place that has strong forestry knowledge and experience, we now need a Programme Director to set strategy, define culture, guide staff, provide leadership and build senior-level relationships. We need candidates with a track record in defining strategy and executing effectively, with commercial acumen, and with sector development experience – prior understanding of forestry is not essential for this role.

The ideal candidate will have:

- A strong track record of successfully leading and managing projects with multiple stakeholders and multi-layered teams.
- Proven experience of influencing senior-level public and private sector decision-makers.
- An understanding of business investment decisions and deal-structuring.
- Experience in implementing market-based solutions within large-scale sector development programmes; and/or experience of managing interventions to enhance the competitiveness of agricultural sectors.
- Ten years' relevant work experience and a minimum of five years' work experience in Africa at managerial level.

For more information and instructions on how to apply, please download the Candidate Pack from www.gatsby.org.uk/africajobs. The closing date is midnight UTC on Sunday 30 April 2017.