



## TECHNICAL DIRECTOR

### GATSBY AFRICA – KENYA COMMERCIAL FORESTRY PROGRAMME

**Location:** Nairobi

**Closing date:** Sunday 30 April

Do you have strong commercial forestry experience and a comprehensive understanding of the forestry value chain from genetic resources through to wood processing? Could you use your skills and knowledge to oversee a range of technical work across the forestry sector, and to understand and engage private and public stakeholders, including forestry agencies? Do you want to help catalyse change in Kenya's forestry sector that will benefit hundreds of thousands of people for the long-term?

Kenya's serious wood supply gap is only set to get worse due to accelerating population growth and industrialisation. There is huge potential for commercial forestry to help close this gap, generating knock-on economic, social and environmental benefits.

Gatsby Africa has established the Kenya Commercial Forestry Programme (KCFP) to help realise this potential. KCFP will partner with private and public sector players to increase commercial returns of growers of all sizes. In particular, KCFP will look to build the capacity and commercial sustainability of key public and private institutions that can provide crucial services, including access to higher quality genetic material and improved tree grower advice.

The Technical Director will be a key role, strengthening the team at a political, technical, commercial and management level. They will provide strategic leadership and operational management across all technical forestry functions of the programme, while fostering strong collaborative relationships to help address sector-wide challenges.

The ideal candidate will have:

- Strong commercial forestry experience gained through roles with a combination of technical and operational responsibilities in organisations across the forestry value chain.
- 10 years of management responsibility, preferably including experience of managing multiple forestry functions.
- Proven leadership of collaborative, multi-partner initiatives, and demonstrated experience of influencing senior public and private sector decision-makers.
- A first degree in Forestry (Master's degree desirable).

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