

VACANCY: CHIEF IMPACT INVESTMENT OFFICER

Duration: Three Year Contract

Location: Stellenbosch

Qualification:

Minimum Qualification of a BCom Degree or equivalent in Finance, Investment Management or Law.

Experience, Knowledge and Skills:

Experience:

- 10+ years in financial services with a proven track record;
- Experience in business development, designing and developing impact investment opportunities in the conservation sector, development of KPAs and KPIs and alignment with monitoring & evaluation and reporting;
- Investing experience in southern Africa;
- Proven track record in working with a multi-disciplinary team with diverse backgrounds.

Knowledge:

- Full understanding of design and management of market interventions;
- Sound understanding of investment frameworks;
- Portfolio development and blending of International Cooperating Partners, Development Finance Institutes and private sector impact investment opportunities;
- Development of impact investment opportunities realising not only financial but also social and environmental returns;
- Strategic Business Plan development planning and development in the conservation and natural resource management sector;
- Understanding of appropriate governance structures and Special Purpose Vehicles to deliver on agreed impact investment KPIs.

Skills:

- Ability to manage activities in line with relevant project management principles;
- Leadership capability to learn, develop and grow;
- Written communication skills for correspondence, reports and investment products;
- Oral communication skills to make presentations, engage with leaders, staff, and external parties;
- Results-focused and deadline-oriented;
- Ability to manage relations in order to build and maintain trust;
- Technologically astute Microsoft Office.

Job Purpose:

Development of a portfolio of impact investment opportunities within and around the protected areas supported by Peace Parks Foundation.

Key Performance Areas:

- Grow an effective investment portfolio platform within and around protected areas;
- Lead in financial sustainability strategy and investment readiness of parks as informed by the broader PPF strategy;

- Align M&E framework with impact investment indicators;
- Oversee monitoring process, recommending corrective actions as required by field and/or park management structures;
- Forecast and plan as regards funding requirements as part of deal team, collaborating on development of proposals;
- Structure appropriate Special Purpose Vehicles, and manage relationships with these, such as PPPs, CPPPs / other;
- Work with Regional Managers to align government strategies with business case planning and TFCA activities, which informs growth forecasting and planning;
- Provide strategic business development planning (conservation and socio-economic) for sustainable revenue streams;
- Co-ordinate conservation finance across all the peace parks for programmatic coherence and standardisation;
- Identify impact investment opportunities in and around transfrontier conservation areas;
- Structure Public Private (Community) Partnership deals; and
- Design scalable outcomes-based financing mechanisms that direct additional private and public sector funds to improve management effectiveness of priority conservation areas.

Interested candidates are invited to submit a cover letter detailing their interest in and suitability for the position, as well as a Curriculum Vitae, with full address, telephone number, email address and contact details of three references. These should be submitted by **5 July 2019**.

A competitive salary package will be negotiated, based on qualifications and experience.

Applications should be submitted to:
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Human Resources Manager
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SHORTLISTED CANDIDATES will be contacted to attend an interview.