

Senior Manager - Sustainable Supply Chains (Trase)

Location: Oxford, UK
Full-time with 6 month initial probation
Salary: 40k and up
Reports to: Programme Head
Close date: December 1, 2017

THE ROLE

This is a unique opportunity to be at the heart of an international team breaking exciting new ground in the pursuit of more transparent and sustainable supply chains. The successful candidate will be a senior leader with a passion for innovation and teamwork, a deep understanding of commodity supply chains, and a proven track record coordinating large scale, complex projects to completion.

The role will sit within the Supply Chains programme at Global Canopy, and will also work very closely with Trase staff at the Stockholm Environment Institute, and other collaborating organisations worldwide.

GLOBAL CANOPY and TRASE

Global Canopy is an agile and entrepreneurial charity with an outsized impact. Our aim is to end large-scale deforestation, a global problem with huge hidden costs for people and prosperity.

We focus on the big market levers driving deforestation at regional, national and international levels. And we bring a fresh approach to identifying, targeting, and mobilising action among the key powerbrokers - the governments, businesses and financial institutions worldwide - with the power to end the global 'deforestation economy'.

Global Canopy is a founding partner of Trase (Transparency for Sustainable Economies – www.trase.earth) with the Stockholm Environment Institute. Trase is a ground-breaking sustainability platform, enabling governments, companies, investors and others to better understand and address the environmental and social impacts linked to their supply chains. It draws on vast sets of production, trade and customs data, for the first time laying bare the flows of globally-traded commodities. It comes as a direct response to the ambitious commitments made by leaders across sectors to achieve deforestation-free supply chains by 2020 – and the urgent need this creates for a breakthrough in assessing and monitoring sustainability performance. First launched in 2016, Trase is pursuing an ambitious 5-year strategy, growing rapidly and expanding from an initial focus on soy and cattle in Latin America, to take in Indonesian palm oil next year, and up to 80% of 'forest risk commodities' by 2020.

We are seeking a Senior Manager capable of helping lead the successful implementation of the Trase strategy, and with experience coordinating large scale, complex projects from inception to impact. The position requires superb coordinating and project management skills, together with in-depth and up-to-date experience and

understanding of sustainability challenges associated with internationally traded forest-risk commodities

RESPONSIBILITIES

- 1) Strategic planning and implementation of Trase programme (35%)
 - Serve as a member of the Trase management team
 - Contribute towards the overall implementation of the Trase 2017-2021 strategy, and development of a post 2021 strategy
 - Contribute to the Trase strategy for communications, platform development, and in-country engagement
 - Deputize for the Head of Supply Chain Programme as needed
 - Contribute towards the use of Trase to develop key insights and thought leadership around the sustainability of forest-risk commodity supply chains
 - Represent Trase internationally, including working closely with key stakeholders to develop and understand applications of Trase to support improved decision making.
 - Work closely with Trase colleagues at SEI, including the product development manager for Trase, to help deliver a programme of work across the Trase partnership

- 2) Project Management (35%)
 - Manage workplans and budgets for GCP-led elements of Trase
 - Assist with the organisation and marketing of high level external events
 - Support in assessing impact through monitoring and evaluation of programme activities and the impact of Trase.
 - Line manage members of the programme team, ensuring they have clear objectives and regular support.
 - Coordinate recruitment and manage onboarding of new staff members as needed.
 - Ensure high-quality delivery against milestones, planned outputs, and budgets for key Trase projects.

- 3) Engagement and Network Management (30% time)
 - Support development of Trase engagement strategy and work-planning
 - Ensure alignment and coordination with existing engagement and outreach activities among the Trase core institutional partners.
 - Provide Trase demonstrations and introductions to new interested partners and users, including government and private sector
 - Help manage enquiries from prospective Trase users and partners

KEY SKILLS, EXPERIENCE AND ATTRIBUTES

Essential

- Masters degree or higher in environmental studies, policy, law or other related degree

- At least five years of working on sustainability issues linked to commodity supply chains, especially regarding forests
- Proven ability to contribute critical thinking and thought leadership on major sustainability challenges facing the development of sustainable agriculture and efforts to reduce deforestation
- Proven experience of leading at a multi-disciplinary team working on supply chain sustainability at a senior level
- In-country experience working to tackle deforestation in tropical forest countries through engagement with private and/or public sector actors, ideally linked to the expansion of traded agricultural commodities
- Proven programme and project management skills, including experience leading an initiative of similar ambition and complexity
- Experience in partnership management and delivering complex projects with many active parties.
- Excellent interpersonal and communication skills, with the ability to effectively communicate complex ideas to diverse audiences both orally and in writing.

Desirable

- Advanced knowledge of commodity sectors and commodity-driven deforestation, including soy and cattle in Latin America, and/or palm oil in Southeast Asia
- Experience in developing online data tools and decision support systems
- Fluency in an additional language, preferably Indonesian, Portuguese, or Spanish.

Please write to jobs@globalcanopy.org with your CV and a cover letter, explaining your motivation and how you meet the essential criteria for the job, and including your salary expectation. Please note that early applications are advised, as we may begin interviewing early, depending on the volume of suitable candidates applying, and will close 5pm GMT, December 1, 2017