

Biovision, a Swiss non-profit foundation certified by ZEWO, has been supporting the agroecological transformation of food systems for more than twenty years. We work towards a world with enough healthy food for all, produced by healthy people in a healthy environment.

The Development Projects department at the Biovision Head Office in Zurich is currently looking for a:

PROGRAMME OFFICER (80%) - FOR PROJECTS IN SUBSAHARA-AFRICA

(Start Date: January 2021 or upon agreement)

In our development projects, we promote the development and adoption of evidence-based agroecological farming practices and technologies, building a bridge between science and farmers. Our solutions contribute to the fight against poverty and lay the foundation for sustainable and resilient livelihoods in Sub-Saharan-Africa.

In this context, your tasks and responsibilities include:

- Steering a portfolio of projects in the field of farmer communication and rural advisory services, with a focus on our Farmer Communication Programme in East Africa;
- Responsibility for developing and co-ordination of additional projects in the field of sustainable food systems in East Africa;
- Monitoring of project progress and continuous improvement of key interventions based on evidence, project reports and project visits;
- Establishing close links with implementing partners to ensure the delivery of project outcomes, from a technical, financial and administrative perspective;
- Being a thematic focal point for farmer communication, rural advisory services and value-chains:
- Networking with experts in the field of rural advisory services (Switzerland, partner countries and international) for context monitoring, strategic steering and expansion of the project portfolio;
- Working closely with fundraising and communication departments; and
- Providing technical inputs for proposal development and competitive tenders.

We are looking for a dynamic and motivated team player with the following qualifications:

- Relevant work experience (at least 3 years) in international co-operation, ideally in Sub-Saharan Africa;
- A relevant Master's degree in agronomy, geography, environmental science or related fields;
- Cultural sensitivity working with diverse stakeholders;
- Readiness to travel (mainly to East Africa);
- Experience in information dissemination, rural advisory services and value-chain development is particularly valued;
- In-depth knowledge of monitoring, evaluation and learning processes is an asset;
- Proficiency in English, very good command of German (oral and written).
- Ability to work independently, with flexibility, humour, and critical thinking.

We offer a challenging position in a dynamic team, commensurate wages and adequate social security.

Please send your electronic application documents (cover letter and CV) until October 21st, 2020 to bewerbungen@biovision.ch. For further information, please contact Ms Shruti Patel at +41 44 512 5831 (only after 12th of October!)