



Job Announcement: East Africa WaterCredit Program Officer

Announcement Date: June 1, 2009

Closing Date: Open until Filled

About WaterPartners International:

WaterPartners is a dynamic, rapidly growing international organization addressing the global water supply crisis. We are committed to providing clean drinking water and improved sanitation to communities in developing countries. Working in partnership with donors and beneficiaries, we have helped people around the world develop accessible, sustainable, community-level water and sanitation services. WaterPartners currently operates in six countries, including Ethiopia and Kenya, and is considering other countries for expansion. You can learn more at www.water.org.

Position Description

WaterPartners seeks a highly skilled and highly motivated Program Officer to work with the International Programs team in East Africa to advance its WaterCredit initiative in the region. This full-time position will report to the Country Director of our Kenya office in Kisumu. S/he will work closely with staff members in Kenya and at our head office in Kansas City, USA. Major responsibilities are listed below:

- I. Develop opportunities for new WaterCredit programs in Kenya, Ethiopia, and other East African countries among existing and new partner organizations (non-governmental organizations, microfinance institutions, and other parties).
- II. Participate in certification of new partner organizations that can manage WaterCredit programs.
- III. Conduct outreach among microfinance institutions regarding the potential for WaterCredit.
- IV. Participate in identifying potential sources of funding and investment for new WaterCredit programs within the region.
- V. Manage ongoing WaterCredit programs in partnership with the country and head office's program staff, including program and financial management, partner development, and program evaluations.
- VI. Develop and manage information resources to track program performance, enhance WaterCredit activities, and support the mission of the organization.

Qualifications:

- Demonstrated record of outstanding academic and career achievement
- Background in microfinance, project management, economics/finance, development, and water/sanitation preferred
- Excellent verbal and written communications, management, leadership, teamwork, networking, budgeting, and problem solving skills
- Computer literacy, including MS Office packages
- Must demonstrate critical thinking, creativity, good judgment, initiative, attention to detail, and professionalism

Requirements:

- At least five years experience with microfinance institutions and programs
- At least five years of relevant experience with development, water and sanitation, and/or non-profit organizations
- Program experience among WaterPartners' East African countries of operation and interest
- Master's degree preferred

- Must be willing to travel up to 33% time within the region

Salary/Benefits

This position offers full-time benefits, including medical/dental insurance, life insurance, and a retirement program. Salary will be based on qualification and experience.

Application Information

Please send a copy of your CV and a cover letter to kenya@water.org, noting “WaterCredit Program Officer Position” at the title of your message. Applications will be reviewed as they are received. Please do not contact us about the status of your application.

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