POSITION: Technology Coordinator

ORGANISATION: African Parks Congo

LOCATION: Nagero, Democratic Republic of Congo

REPORTING TO: Research & Development Director

EXPECTED START DATE: 1st September 2021

BACKGROUND:

African Parks is a non-profit conservation organisation that takes on the complete responsibility for the rehabilitation and long-term management of national parks in partnership with governments and local communities. We currently manage 19 national parks and protected areas in 11 countries covering over 14.1 million hectares in: Angola, Benin, Central African Republic, Chad, the Democratic Republic of Congo, Malawi, Mozambique, the Republic of Congo, Rwanda, Zambia and Zimbabwe.

JOB OVERVIEW:

The Technology Coordinator will work in collaboration with the Research & Development Director to develop and maintain technologies to support the effective management of the activities implemented by African Parks Congo. The Technology Coordinator will oversee and support the technology office and its implementation of multiple active programmes in the Greater Garamba landscape. The Technology Coordinator will be responsible for providing technical direction, training of staff, and overseeing the maintenance and development of technologies.

MAIN ROLES & RESPONSIBILITIES:

- React to operational and strategic needs as directed by the park management unit.
- Maintain quality service by establishing and enforcing organization standards.
- Identify problems and implement technological strategic solutions.
- Verify application results by conducting system audits of technologies implemented.
- Preserves assets by implementing recovery and back-up procedures and information security and control structures.

- Ensure the optimisation and full capacity of existing infrastructure including but not limited to VHF, HF, VSAT, LoRa, GIS, WIFI networks, and various sensors.
- Oversee and support IT and cyberinfrastructure programmes.
- Provide weekly and monthly reports.
- Train and build staff capacity to function effectively as individuals and as a team.

KEY RELATIONSHIPS:

- Park Manager
- Research & Development Director
- Regional Information Coordinator
- Head of Departments
- External service providers

EDUCATION AND EXPERIENCE:

- At least five years' experience in maintaining and developing technologies, preferably with experience working in a national park.
- A technology related degree.
- Flexibility, adaptability and creativity to develop innovative solutions to challenging situations.
- Strong verbal and written skills in English.
- Understanding of French will be an advantage.
- Willingness to live in a remote setting and with previous experience living in Africa.

WHAT SUCCESS LOOKS LIKE:

The implementation and maintenance of a fully functional and effective IT and cyberinfrastructure system.

HOW TO APPLY:

To apply, please email your CV and cover letter to centralafrica.hr@africanparks.org by 16th August 2021. Please mention the position name in the subject line of the email. In case you do not hear from us within two weeks after the closing date, this means that your application was not successful. We thank you for your interest in working for African Parks.

For more information or questions, do not hesitate the Regional Human Resources Director, Mr. Kevin Keenoo.