



## **Job Advert**

**Conservation Officer** for the EU funded Project 'Restoring effective management control in the Kidepo Game Reserve and associated catchment forests in South Sudan and improving the welfare of neighbouring communities.

### **Background**

Enjojo Foundation is a non-profit organisation incorporated on 14/12/2020 under the NGO Act 2016 of the Republic of South Sudan. Enjojo Foundation's Mission is to manage and conserve protected areas through a conservation model which fosters peace, supports sustainable community livelihoods and enterprises, and enables socio-political stability.

Enjojo Foundation is working under a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Ministry of Wildlife Conservation and Tourism in South Sudan (MWCT) for the co-management of the Lantoto National Park and the Kidepo Game Reserve. In collaboration with the South Sudan Wildlife Service, EF takes on responsibility for all aspects of park management including Promoting Peace and good Governance, Community development, Park Protection, Infrastructure and logistics, Wildlife and Habitat management, and Tourism Development. The Kidepo Game Reserve was established in 1975 with an area of about 280,000 ha (2800 km<sup>2</sup>) in Eastern Equatoria. It falls under IUCN Management Category VI - a protected area with the sustainable use of natural resources (IUCN, 2022).

We are seeking an enthusiastic and competent conservationist to join our team for the EU funded project 'Restoring effective management control in the Kidepo Game Reserve and associated catchment forests in South Sudan and improving the welfare of neighbouring communities'.

The ideal candidate has over 7 years experience in conservation of natural resources and biodiversity in Protected Areas.

The job is field based with duty station in Ikwoto in Eastern Equatoria State.

### **Key responsibilities:**

- Trains community leaders in the sustainable management of natural resources and sensitizes grassroots communities on the benefits of conservation.
- Contributes to the development of a training manual for local leaders in sustainable management of natural resources.
- Carries out socio economic research in the communities neighbouring the Kidepo Game Reserve.
- Prepares reports, presentations and communication materials to convey EF's achievements, challenges and progress to stakeholders.
- Trains, mentors and supervises a team of community scouts.
- Uses scientific ecological approach and the convergence of several tools (aerial surveys,



geomatics, camera trapping, animal collaring etc) to support informed management and the development of a coherent land use plan for the Kidepo landscape.

- Makes use of technological tools (e.g. Earthranger, GIS survey 123) for effective centralization and archiving of data.
- Fosters teamwork, collaboration and a supportive work environment. Mobilises expertise needed to carry out activities through consultancy contracts and scientific partnerships.
- Ensures efficient utilization of resources, adherence to the organizational policies and procedures, and effective implementation of activities as per the 5-year business plan and donor contracts.
- Monitors the project implementation, identifies issues, and takes the necessary corrective action when needed.
- Builds and maintains relationships with all stakeholders and team members, and ensures their expectations are aligned.
- Represents Enjojo Foundation in an objective, professional and non-partisan way.

**Qualifications & skills:**

- Master's degree in Environmental Sciences, Natural Resources, Water & Land Management, International Development or any relevant field.
- At least 7 years experience in managing conservation projects in Africa.
- Proficiency in collecting, analyzing and interpreting scientific data.
- Excellent communicator with grassroot communities.
- Experience in working in remote environments.
- Leadership to guide and motivate team members and foster collaboration.
- Stress resistant, ability to work under tight deadlines.
- Time management and organizational skills.
- Problem solving skills
- Excellent report writing skills
- Strong computer skills (MS Word, Excel, Outlook, Teams, and Power Point).

**Application Procedures:**

Qualified applicants should submit the following:

- A cover letter
- Updated CV including a list of three referees, with their operational email addresses and telephone numbers
- Copies of documents of eligibility (master's degree, training certificates, etc)
- Scan of a national ID

Applicants shall submit their applications to [info@enjojofoundation.org](mailto:info@enjojofoundation.org) and copy [Tharcissem@enjojofoundation.org](mailto:Tharcissem@enjojofoundation.org).

Applications should be submitted before 6 February 2025, 5pm. Due to the urgency, the application will be reviewed on a rolling basis.

**Note: Only shortlisted candidates will be contacted.**