

Project Manager // SEED Biocomplexity – (Biodiversity Analytics & Data Venture)

Location: Remote (based in a time zone within, or 2 hours +/-, CET), with necessary travel to Switzerland HQ

Time commitment: Full-time – initial 6 months contract

A new generation of markets is emerging to generate nature-specific revenue streams. Billions are now being invested, with the value of new nature business opportunities estimated to be USD 4.5 trillion per year by 2030. However, the unchecked monetization of nature could lead to further depletion and damage. Without a scientifically robust way to value the holistic complexity of nature, financial systems will continue to drive the over-simplification of ecological systems, exacerbating the inequitable distribution of wealth, and styming the necessary adaptations to global climate collapse.

In 2023, NatureFinance and the Crowther Lab at ETH in Zurich are working on a partnership to advance the market adoption of the SEED Biodiversity Index. SEED Biodiversity Index is a new, globally standardized, geospatial index that reflects the complexity of systems (the multivariate composition of microbes, plants and animals and the ecosystem services they provide) relative to their natural state. This common index of biological complexity (or “biocomplexity”), developed by Crowther Lab at ETH Zurich, will provide political and financial systems with a straightforward value of nature’s complexity, ingesting the very latest environmental data and assessing the impact of any organization, positive or negative, on nature. For more information on the science and team behind SEED please visit [this link](#).

We are searching for a Project Manager to support the development and launch of the market-facing SEED, a biodiversity analytics platform whose will role be to inform and shape evolving nature markets.

The PM will work closely with both the Crowther Lab science team and the Nature Finance market teams.

In particular the PM will be responsible for:

- Supporting the Directors of Crowther Lab and Nature Finance with market development, project management, and overseeing the development and implementation of SEED’s data-distribution licensing model and platform
- Managing relationships with different pilot applications, distribution partnerships, policy actors, and consortiums (e.g. food and agriculture) for the implementation of SEED
- Coordinating activities and ensuring timelines and deadlines are being met, for example website development, legal setup, communication materials, partner/client product delivery, science and market alignment
- Inputting (including writing, reviewing and commenting) into reports
- Attending all relevant internal and external meetings
- Day to day project management and coordination, including preparing agendas, materials, and records of actions
- Drafting written content for use in meetings and policy and stakeholder engagements e.g. short technical notes and slide decks, policy briefing papers
- Minuting meetings

Qualifications

- A minimum of 3 years of professional experience in relevant positions
- Proven track record of diligent project management, coordination skills, ideally in nimble, entrepreneurial environments
- University degree, ideally in a sustainability related field including but not limited to Finance, Economics, Environmental Science, Environmental Engineering, Political Sciences, Data Science, or Ecological Economics
- Familiarity of ecological concepts, biodiversity, nature-based solutions and climate change strategies
- Self-directed and action-oriented
- Excellent English skills
- Excellent communication and presentation skills
- Passionate about global challenges like biodiversity loss and the climate crisis

Job Perks

- Leading an initiative that concretely contributes a positive impact to the climate and biodiversity crises
- Being at the forefront of the new wave of bio-data innovation and nature markets
- Liaising with a world-leading science lab advancing solutions and research towards global nature goals

Terms

- Beginning immediately
- This contract will run for six months, working 5 days per week, with a possible extension of the contract

Applications

Please apply by sending your CV by email to tom@crowtherlab.com and alexa@crowtherlab.com and state your vision for a revolution in global biodiversity measurement and regeneration