



Trustee role description: Treasurer

Conservation Without Borders is looking to appoint a new trustee in the role of Treasurer to join the board in leading the charity to achieve its charitable objectives. The successful applicant will have a background in financial management, preferably within the charitable sector.

About Conservation Without Borders

Conservation Without Borders is a rapidly developing charity, founded in 2019. It was established to conserve and protect multiple species of migratory birds and animals, by undertaking projects, which involve expeditions highlighting the plight of migratory birds and animals, and the threats and challenges they face.

These projects raise public awareness through media profile, assess critical wetland habitats, provide educational programmes, help identify, train and support conservation leaders, engage relevant target audiences, improve resources for local conservation groups and wetland centres, promote regional and national conservation efforts and seek opportunities to empower women and girls.

Conservation without Borders uses the lens, stories and geographical scope of migrating animals to bring people from different walks of life together to uncover problems, and find long-term solutions. We record and share our work through powerful, inspiring imagery and story. We work with innovators and change-makers, whoever and wherever, big or small, to drive global change.

Our current plan is to undertake 5 such projects in the coming 10 years, part of our '2030 Global Challenge' strategy.

The charity is currently run by one of its founders, Sacha Dench, in the role of CEO, there is a Communications Manager, and a dynamic mixture of paid and voluntary team members in a variety of roles involved in expedition projects. We are looking to expand the core, full-time team over the next year.

Our charitable objectives

The objects of the CIO are to promote for the benefit of the public the conservation protection and improvement of the physical and natural environment in particular but not exclusively by: a) conserving migratory birds and other animals and the habitats on which they depend; b) advancing the education of the public in the conservation and protection of migratory birds and animals and the natural environment more generally; c) conducting research on migratory birds and animals and the habitats that fall within their migration routes. and, in furtherance of that purpose, to raise awareness and understanding and to provide information on such matters.

Remuneration

The role of Trustees is not accompanied by any financial remuneration.

Location

Anywhere in the UK, but preferably able to travel for Trustees meetings twice per year (reasonable travel expenses paid).

Time commitment

Two Trustee meetings per year in person, plus monthly virtual trustee meetings (online) and Finance sub committee (schedule of meetings tbc). We estimate for the treasurer the total time commitment may be up to 5 days time in total per year.

The board

The Treasurer role reports to the Chair of Trustees, and there are 6 trustees in total.

Role Description

Our Trustees hold three primary roles: to be ambassadors for the charity, to ensure our statutory duties are complied with and to offer support and advice in the development and delivery of the projects we are running.

They need to have, or be willing to gain, a deep understanding of and commitment to our values, as expressed through our projects. Trustees will play a crucial role in supporting the small executive team on significant financial, strategic, governance and fundraising matters. Occasionally we also need them to support the CEO on operational matters, where the Trustee has relevant expertise.

Person specification

We are looking for an individual who has experience of being a senior decision maker with a high level of accountability, in order to provide the necessary support in developing the charity and delivering on its vision and mission.

Additional skills / knowledge in any of the following will also be welcomed: fundraising (both corporate and individual giving), an understanding of the conservation sector and governance.

The Board of Trustees are jointly and severally responsible for the overall governance and strategic direction of the charity, its financial health, the probity of its activities and developing the organisation's aims, objectives and goals in accordance with the governing document, legal and regulatory guidelines.

Please check your eligibility to stand as a trustee here

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/confirmation-of-charity-trustee-eligibility>

In return

This is an opportunity to play a key role in an innovative and charity which seeks to action real change in the world through big, bold initiatives. We are new but growing our supporter base fast. We are already working with the UN and the GEF, making feature documentaries with ITV, and collaborating with celebrities from Joanna Lumley to the Spurs football team, all whilst promoting the stories and ideas of real people from around the world.

We are looking for trustees that are comfortable with big ideas and pushing boundaries whilst also keeping the team grounded and focused on the goals.

To apply

Please submit a CV & cover letter outlining your personal motivations for applying to sacha@conservation-without-borders.org

Any questions?

Please email sacha@conservation-without-borders.org