

## **Volunteer Translators:**

**English / French**

**English / Portuguese**

### **Background**

Conservation without Borders is a young conservation communications charity established to deliver conservation expeditions, in association with partners, that help scientists and the public understand the impacts of climate change from the perspective of migratory species. This is a tried and tested model of engagement developed on the 2016 expedition 'Flight of the Swans', following the Bewick's swan migration from arctic Russia to the UK through 11 countries tackling illegal hunting and habitat loss. We also recently completed our first expedition as a charity, the Round Britain Climate Challenge, circumnavigating mainland Britain to promote grassroots climate action ahead of COP26.

Conservation without Borders uses bold adventures and innovative story-telling techniques to bring scientists and conservationists together with powerful, focused collaborations, generating mass media, public, political and industry engagement in critical conservation issues. Our next expedition, Flight of the Osprey, is currently in development for take-off in August 2022. Following the Osprey migration route from Scotland to Ghana, our team will capture footage and survey data to look at the threats that migratory species face and the conservation action taking place along the flyway to protect species at a local and global level. Using a multidimensional communications strategy, our followers will accompany us as we deliver a visual showcase of the Osprey's journey and one-off interviews with frontline conservationists along their flyway.

As a start-up charity we are looking for skilled, motivated, creative and passionate individuals happy to offer some of their time to help get this project off the ground. There are many voluntary roles at Conservation without Borders, spanning researching exciting stories, gathering existing audio-visual resources, finding voluntary contributors and fundraising to ensure our projects go ahead.

### **Roles and Responsibilities**

Our Volunteer Translators will assist Conservation without Borders in our aim to increase public engagement with conservation by assisting the team with international correspondence and online meetings as needed for the Flight of the Osprey. This role will work closely with the Project Manager to identify conservation projects of interest via our international colleagues and secure offers of practical support in French / Portuguese speaking countries. It will best suit someone who is a highly experienced administrator, confident with Microsoft Teams/ZOOM and comfortable translating around any connectivity issues.

Your key responsibilities will include:

- Translate live meetings via Microsoft Teams/Zoom

- Minute all multilingual meetings with international partners
- Translate newsletters and emails
- Transcribe and translate film and footage content.

### **Skills, Attributes and Experience**

We are looking for a motivated individual with fluent French or Portuguese and English skills who would like to contribute to our conservation work, joining some calls during the working day and working on written pieces to deadline around their schedule. Professionalism is essential as you will be representing CWB to our sponsors, partners and public following. Previous experience translating remotely is preferred but is not essential.

Volunteers will possess some/all of the following:

- An excellent written and verbal communicator who can remain calm under pressure.
- The ability to quickly and coherently translate between English and French / Portuguese.
- Competent in online video call software (Microsoft Teams/ZOOM)
- Awareness of conservation issues is desirable but not essential.

### **Location**

This is a fully remote role, assuming you have strong internet, relevant hardware and software.

### **Hours**

This post is initially until February 2023, with scope for ongoing association for the right candidate. Hours are varied but the work can be fit around a standard work week. Team meetings will be arranged around team availability and will usually be held online, although there will be physical meetups that you would be encouraged to attend if you wish.

### **Benefits to the volunteer**

This is not a role on the expedition but is a vital role to help magnify the engagement with our expedition for an important cause. You will

- Play a critical role in an important and ground-breaking conservation project
- Be part of a highly motivated team with a challenging mission
- Be supported and encouraged to develop your skills and gain valuable experience and references

### **To apply:**

Contact [office@conservation-without-borders.org](mailto:office@conservation-without-borders.org) with your CV, and a few words describing why you are interested, any relevant projects you have worked on and what you hope to gain from this role.

This is a voluntary role, no payment will be given for time or general expenses, except where relevant to the project and with prior approval of the budget holder.

Note that this project and elements of it will be confidential and this must be respected by all team members. So, whilst all project-related content will be delivered or posted in the first instance via the official project PR team or on official project social media accounts, we would encourage all team members to share as widely as possible with a personal comment or interpretation, to your contacts and through any forums you think might be interested.