

## Project Manager for Western Ghats Portal

**Position** : Project Manager  
**Project** : Western Ghats Biodiversity Open Collaborative Information System

The Western Ghats Biodiversity Open Collaborative Information System or Western Ghats Portal (WGP) is a joint project between French Institute of Pondicherry ([www.ifpindia.org](http://www.ifpindia.org)) and Strand Life Sciences ([www.strandls.com](http://www.strandls.com)), representing India Biodiversity Portal. WGP is being funded by Critical Ecosystem Partnership Fund ([www.cepf.net](http://www.cepf.net)). CEPF is a global programme that works towards safeguarding biodiversity hotspots by providing strategic assistance to non-governmental organisations, community groups and other civil society partners. ATREE is the Regional Implementation Team to implement the conservation strategy outlined in the Western Ghats Ecosystem profile in partnership with CEPF.

With the objective of 'Connect, Share, Disseminate', the WGP project will build a public information system that will aggregate biodiversity and conservation information on the Western Ghats. WGP will be a community owned, open access web portal, which will network conservation community and will evolve as an important public knowledge base on Western Ghats.

### Eligibility

- Postgraduate or above in environmental sciences/ecology/life sciences
- Experience in project management, coordination with funding agency and generation of technical and financial reports
- Strong communication skills; to be able to address a variety of stakeholders (government officers, researchers, academia, students and civil society groups) to win over their voluntary participation in the project
- Should be aware of and subscribe to free/open source/open access/knowledge commons approaches in technology and scientific research domains
- Research experience in Western Ghats will be appreciated

### Job responsibilities

- Overall and successful implementation of the project in all aspects
- Coordination between project partners (IFP, Strand Life Sciences and sub-grantees)
- Reporting to funding agency
- Providing leadership and participating in the campaign for collaborative participation of stakeholders in the portal

### Applications

Please send in your detailed curriculum vitae to:

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