



**PROJECT CO-ORDINATOR**  
**CUSTODIANS OF RARE AND ENDANGERED WILDFLOWERS**  
(Graded as Agricultural Scientist)  
**(3 year contract, salary level 7)**  
**KIRSTENBOSCH RESEARCH CENTRE**

SANBI requires a motivated, focused and dedicated Project co-ordinator that is passionate about plant conservation to give support to the CREW Custodians of Rare and Endangered Wildflowers). This programme involves volunteers from the public in the monitoring and conservation of South Africa's threatened plants. CREW aims to capacitate a network of volunteers from a range of socio-economic backgrounds to monitor and conserve South Africa's threatened plant species. The programme links volunteers with their local conservation agencies and particularly with local land stewardship initiatives to ensure the conservation of key sites for threatened plant species.

Appointment to the position requires a B.Sc Botany or equivalent tertiary qualification enhanced by 2-3 years relevant working experience, as well as project co-ordination experience. Knowledge of fynbos plant species and the ability to identify most plants to genus level, coupled with an understanding of fynbos ecology are essential. Candidates must be proficient in MS Office (GIS skills advantageous) , display a good command of spoken and written English and other official languages and have the ability to work according to deadlines, even under pressure. In addition, the ability to maintain sound interpersonal relations with CREW volunteers and work closely in a team is crucial. A valid Code B driver's license, with at least one year's practical driving experience, completes the profile of the ideal candidate.

Responsibilities will include:

- Co-ordinate the activities of civil society group within the Cape Floral Region and provide support materials for groups
- Assisting the Project Manager in organising and attending meetings, fieldtrips, workshops and providing tasks for Cape Town office volunteers
- Develop links with academic institutions to engage students in CREW programme
- Co-supervising work of the CREW project Assistant
- Manage CREW Special Team field trips i.e. Cape-based volunteer group involved in monitoring Critically Endangered and Endangered plant species.

SANBI offers an annual all-inclusive salary of R160 976.37.

**Please Note: 1)** Applications must be accompanied by a letter motivating why the applicant should be favourably considered for the position. **2)** A competency test may be conducted during the interview.

**All applications will be considered with the understanding that, in terms of the SANBI Employment Equity Plan, preference will currently be given to candidates from the designated groups.**

Applications submitted by employment agencies, will not be considered. SANBI reserves the right not to fill these positions.

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Contact Ms Itebogeng Tshepe on 021 799 8878 or, preferably, forward a concise CV, via e-mail to [recruitmentct@sanbi.org](mailto:recruitmentct@sanbi.org) or fax 021 762 3229. Postal applications are to be addressed to the Deputy Director: Human Resources, South African National Biodiversity Institute, Private Bag X7, Claremont 7735.

**Closing date: 31 March 2009 - Please note the closing date has been extended, the advert originally closed in February but now has extended till end of March, if you have previously applied your CV will be considered, please do not resubmit.**

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*If no response has been received within 21 working days of the closing date, candidates may assume that their applications did not succeed.*