



Call for Applications: 2015 Conservation Team Awards

Deadline: 23rd February 2015

Applications for the 2015 Conservation Leadership Programme (CLP) Conservation Team Awards are now open! CLP aims to advance biodiversity conservation globally by building the leadership capabilities of early-career conservation professionals working in high-priority places with limited capacity to address conservation issues. This partnership initiative, including BirdLife International, Fauna & Flora International and the Wildlife Conservation Society, has been helping young conservationists across the world to achieve their goals for 30 years. The programme works toward its aims by offering awards, training and mentoring support. CLP offers three levels of Conservation Awards:

- **Future Conservationist Awards**: Approximately 18 awards of up to \$12,500 each
- **Conservation Follow-up Awards**: Approximately 2 awards of up to \$20,000 each (available only to previous CLP Future Conservationist Award winners)
- **Conservation Leadership Awards**: 1 award of \$40,000 (available only to previous CLP Follow-up Award winners)

In 2015 CLP will only be accepting proposals for projects to be implemented in the following 22 countries: **Algeria, Angola, Azerbaijan, Brazil, China, Egypt, Georgia, India, Indonesia, Iraq, Kuwait, Libya, Malaysia, Mexico, Mozambique, Oman, South Africa, Thailand, Trinidad and Tobago, Turkey, UAE and Vietnam.**

The application deadline for full proposals is **23rd February 2015 for ALL applications**. Those applying for **Conservation Follow-up** and **Conservation Leadership Awards** must submit a Logical Framework and the Final Report of their previous CLP project as part of their application materials. Awards will be announced in April 2015. Please visit the CLP website (www.conservationleadershipprogramme.org) for detailed eligibility criteria, guidelines and application form.

Successful applicants will: 1.) Develop the knowledge, skills and abilities of team members; 2.) Implement a focused, high-priority conservation project combining research and action; and 3.) Contribute to the long-term success of local conservation efforts. Applicants can request feedback on their proposals from CLP Alumni Ambassadors in their region prior to submission. More information on Alumni Ambassadors can be found on the CLP website. Applicants may also contact a member of the CLP team well before and up to two weeks before the application deadline for advice on project eligibility, methods and project activities. CLP may be able to put teams in touch with local partner offices or other experts who can provide additional advice.

A representative from each award-winning team will be invited to attend an international training event in June/July 2015 organised by CLP to share ideas and develop skills, knowledge and contacts. Additionally, winning teams are able to network with experts from within each of the partner organisations and past winners. CLP management team members are available to advise during project implementation, including guidance required during the planning and team training stages.

Have additional questions or seeking advice? Email clp@birdlife.org for more information. Please forward this announcement to other potentially interested individuals, organisations or academic institutions.

