

Conservation Leadership Programme - Applications now open for 2013!

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2013 Conservation Awards: Reminder - Call for applications is open! The Conservation Leadership Programme (CLP) is currently soliciting applications for **2013 Conservation Awards**. These awards are aimed at early-career conservationists (no more than 5 years professional experience in the conservation sector). 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.

Awards that will be offered include the following:

- *Future Conservationist Awards:* Approximately 20 awards of up to \$15,000 each
- *Conservation Follow-up Awards:* Approximately 6 awards of up to \$25,000 each (available only to previous CLP award winners)
- *Conservation Leadership Award:* 1 award of \$50,000 (available only to previous CLP award winners)

The application deadline for all awards is **9th November 2012**. (Those applying for a *Conservation Follow-up* or *Conservation Leadership* award must have submitted a logical framework to the CLP by Monday, 1st October 2012. CLP will provide feedback on all logical frameworks by 16th October and, based on this review, will either invite applicants to submit a full proposal or not.) All awards will be announced in April 2013.

How to apply Please visit the [CLP website](#) for detailed eligibility criteria, guidelines and an application form. **Where we work:** CLP invites applications from early-career conservationists living and working in Africa, Asia, East/South-East Europe, the Middle East, the Pacific, Latin America and the Caribbean. Countries designated by the World Bank as high-income economies are not eligible for CLP support. Exceptions to these criteria include high-income economies located in tropical areas of high biological diversity, including Pacific and Caribbean Islands and the Middle East.

CLP support: Applicants are strongly encouraged to contact a member of the CLP team well before the application deadline for advice on project eligibility, methods and project activities. Applicants are also encouraged to establish contact with staff from CLP partner organisations listed above for advice. If required, the CLP can help teams make contact with local partner offices or other experts who can provide additional advice. All applicants whose proposals meet the eligibility criteria and undergo review will receive feedback from expert reviewers. A

representative from each award-winning team will be invited to attend an international training event in June 2013 organised by the CLP to share ideas, develop new skills and knowledge and network with other like-minded practitioners. Award winners are incorporated into a large alumni network where they can access additional support and expertise as they implement their projects and beyond.

Please forward this announcement to other potentially interested individuals, organisations or academic institutions. **Who we are** *The Conservation Leadership Programme (CLP) is a partnership initiative that includes [BirdLife International](#), [Conservation International](#), [Fauna & Flora International](#), the [Wildlife Conservation Society](#) and [BP plc](#). The CLP mission is to promote the development of future conservation leaders and provide them with the capacity to address the most significant conservation issues of our time. The CLP currently works toward this aim by offering awards, training, mentoring and networking opportunities. The CLP has been helping young conservationists throughout the world to achieve their goals for over 25 years. By working in partnership, the program partners can achieve far more than any one organisation could achieve independently.* **Have a question or seeking advice? Contact us at clp@birdlife.org**