

## Job Description for Benin Flying Labs Coordinator

WeRobotics is an international not-for-profit organization committed to scaling the positive impact of the social sector through the use of appropriate robotics solutions. We do this through our growing network of Flying Labs which accelerate humanitarian aid, global development, public health and environmental protection efforts using autonomous robotics. Together with our cutting-edge Technology Partners, we match the latest in robotics technology with local needs and demand, creating a vibrant and high-tech market and workforce. More information on WeRobotics can be found at <http://werobotics.org>.

As part of our global expansion, we are currently performing an analysis for Benin Flying Labs. Depending on opportunities and outcomes, Benin Flying Labs could become the regional hub for Western Africa. The goal of Flying Labs is to facilitate and expand the safe, responsible and effective use of robotics in their country and region. Activities of Flying Labs include training sessions in the use of drones for mapping and cargo delivery, drone-based pilot projects and services to local, national, regional and international NGOs and companies. Flying Labs also help fuel the local drone service industry in the region through maintenance facilities, business service incubation and small-business training by internationally-renowned business experts. Flying Labs feature their own fleet of drones and relevant software technologies.

**Location:** Cotonou, Benin

**Type of contract:** Full-time (independent contractor contract or hired through Global Partners), limited duration of 6 months, extendable based on funding availability and performance.

### **Job description**

The Benin Flying Labs Coordinator is in charge of day-to-day operations at Benin Flying Labs. He/she coordinates all contacts with local stakeholders, helps to build a local drone ecosystem through engagements and demonstration, helps to organize training sessions and pilot project implementation and facilitates MOUs, legal permissions, logistics and insights. For its first year, Benin Flying Labs is run as a project in collaboration with Global Partners.

### **Key responsibilities**

- Act as the lead contact person for Benin Flying Labs
- Coordination and facilitation of drone mapping trainings and pilot projects
- Engagement with and education of local stakeholders, including government actors, NGOs and communities on robotics technologies
- Building of the local robotics ecosystem to stimulate demand for projects and data products
- Submission of a monthly activity report and final report
- Documentation of the training and projects (photos, videos) and production of media content for shared learnings through blog posts and webinars
- Administration of Benin Flying Labs: prepare invoices, keep record of spending and share records with WeR on a monthly basis, keep track of and maintain Labs material, ensure documentation and MOUs with related partners
- Guarantee to promote and follow the Drone Code of Conduct for Social Good in all Benin Flying Labs work

### **Requirements**

- A Bachelors or Masters degree either as an Engineer or in other sectors but with a strong interest in emerging technologies.
- At least 2 years experience in project management, preferably in a professional setting
- Excellent communication skills in French and English. Experience in teaching, training small groups is a plus
- Experience with drones (hobby or professional) is a plus
- Curious, open-minded
- Responsible, reliable and self-motivated

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