

# Job Description

## Trustees for Size of Wales (x3)

Size of Wales is an climate change charity focussed on mitigating climate change by protecting tropical forests and their communities in Africa, South America, and South-East Asia and through education and awareness-raising in Wales. The Board of Trustees has recently agreed an ambitious new strategy for the charity and appointed a new Director to lead its delivery.

This is an exciting leadership opportunity for people from all backgrounds, with a UK charity that has a proven international track record of making a real impact on the challenge of climate change.

### About Size of Wales

Our primary purpose is to secure, sustain, and restore tropical forests through partnerships with indigenous and local communities. Since establishing as a charity in 2010, [Size of Wales](#) has helped protect 4 million hectares of tropical forest and provided over £3 million of grants to forest protection and tree planting projects. Within Wales, our education programme has directly engaged with 120,000 young people through workshops, assemblies, and events on rainforest and climate change issues. Our awareness programmes such as Go Green Day have had an extensive reach in informing and influencing the wider community.

### Our goals going forward are to:

- Support community projects that secure, and sustain over the long term, an area of tropical forest at least the size of Wales (2 million hectares).
- Support communities to grow at least 25 million trees by 2025.
- Move Wales towards eliminating imported deforestation from our economy.
- Inspire people across Wales to reduce their carbon footprint, support tropical forests, and take climate action.

### The Role

The board of trustees is the ultimate decision-making body for the charity. It is responsible for setting overall strategy and ensuring it is delivered by the Size of Wales Director and team of staff. The board comprises of people bringing the range of professional skills and experience we need to ensure that the charity is well governed.

The standard term of office for a Trustee is three years and is renewable. The minimum commitment is to attend four board meetings a year in Cardiff or digitally plus the annual AGM (which usually coincides with a board meeting). It is also encouraged for trustees to join one sub-committee, such as the Risk Sub-Committee. Ad hoc

communication between Trustees and the Size of Wales Director may also take place by email and telephone.

The positions are voluntary, but reasonable travel expenses will be reimbursed. Training and mentoring will be provided if required. The responsibilities of the trustees include:

- Ensuring that Size of Wales has a clear mission and strategic direction and is focused on achieving these.
- Responsibility for Size of Wales' performance.
- Ensuring Size of Wales complies with all legal and regulatory requirements.
- Acting as guardians of Size of Wales' assets, both tangible and intangible, taking all due care over their security, deployment, and proper application.
- Ensuring that Size of Wales' governance is of the highest possible standard.

### **The Successful Candidate**

We are looking for enthusiastic individuals with a passion for our mission. We welcome applications from individuals with a range of backgrounds, experiences, and expertise that will support our mission.

**We are actively seeking applications from people from a wide diversity of backgrounds, particularly young people, women and members of the BAME community who are currently underrepresented on our Board of Trustees. We are very keen for our board to reflect the population of Wales.**

### **Application Details**

Applications by letter and supporting CV to [peter@pdpartnership.co.uk](mailto:peter@pdpartnership.co.uk) (please put 'Trustees, Size of Wales, [your name]' in the subject line.) For an informal chat please contact Peter Davies at [peter@pdpartnership.co.uk](mailto:peter@pdpartnership.co.uk)

**The closing date for applications is 1<sup>st</sup> June 2021. Interviews will take place on a rolling basis.**