

## Save the Tigris

is looking for an  
**International Campaigner**

Save the Tigris is an international civil society advocacy network on transboundary water issues in the Mesopotamian region. It aims to save and protect the heritage and water resources of Mesopotamia from the impact of large dams and pollution, and to promote sustainable management of the Tigris River and its tributaries within a framework of environmental peacebuilding. Save the Tigris seeks to link groups and movements from Iraq, Turkey, Syria and Iran concerned with the protection of the Tigris and Euphrates Rivers, providing international solidarity while supporting the exchange of knowledge and. Save the Tigris advocates for policies that secure the sustainable and equitable use of water for all who live in the Mesopotamian region, promoting water as a tool for peace. The network has been operating since 2012 and consists of more than a dozen organizations from Iraq, Turkey, Syria, Iran, Europe, USA and other countries and is well connected to the global civil society movement on rivers and dams. Our campaign has been engaging in advocacy in international platforms while implementing awareness activities in Iraq and the region since 2012.

Since 2020 Save the Tigris is officially operating in the Netherlands. Our network is currently looking to expand its presence in the Netherlands and Europe with an international campaigner. The position would be remote: the campaigner can work from home or from the Save the Tigris office in a co-working space in Amsterdam.

Starting period: March 2021

Deadline for applications: 17 February 2021

### **Required Knowledge and Experience:**

- 1) Fluency in English; knowledge of Dutch/Arabic/Kurdish is an advantage but not required;
- 2) Education in the field of water and environment, international cooperation or relevant professional experience is preferred;
- 3) A minimum of 1 year of experience in coordination and organizing events, knowledge of Dutch and European social networks is highly valued;
- 4) A minimum of 1 year of experience or involvement in grassroots movements in the Netherlands (environment, peacebuilding) or with civil society organizations in Europe is required;
- 5) Has a significant network of NGOs/activists in the Netherlands, and good networking skills
- 6) Capacity to understand and acquire knowledge of the Arabic and Kurdish culture and the general dynamics of the Iraqi context;
- 7) Familiarity or interest in international relations, transboundary water issues, climate change and dams
- 8) Commitment to environmental and human rights principles;

9) Communication and diplomatic skills, specifically the ability to communicate effectively with a wide range of audiences.

**Tasks:**

- 1) Network with relevant organisations in the Netherlands (NGOs, institutions, CSOs, activists, researchers) working on similar issues or similar context.
- 2) Network with donors who are interested in supporting water security and water justice in the Mesopotamian Region and raise funds, particularly in the Netherlands but also internationally.
- 3) Write fundraising proposals for possible donors.
- 4) Organize regular meetings with partners in Iraq and the region
- 5) Facilitate meetings of the Steering Committee
- 6) Conduct research and write articles on topics related to water issues in the Mesopotamian Region (dams, pollution, transboundary issues, ...)
- 7) Organize events related to water security in Mesopotamia in person and online.
- 8) Represent the campaign in international meetings/events, be a spokesperson for the campaign.
- 9) Support the organization of the next edition of the Mesopotamian Water Forum.

To apply please send your CV and cover letter to [coordinator.en@savethetigris.org](mailto:coordinator.en@savethetigris.org) specifying the position in the title.