Call for experts

to represent ECOS in the field of

**Principles and tools for biodiversity restoration, conservation, protection and sustainable use**

Application deadline: 20/05/2022

ECOS is looking for an expert to represent and defend environmental interests in the development of standards and related policies for the advancement of principles and tools related to biodiversity. Our experts provide us with technical and scientific input and represent ECOS in standardisation processes and multi-stakeholder discussions.

Knowledge of principles and tools related to biodiversity is needed in the following fields: measurement, data, monitoring and assessment; restoration, conservation and protection; organisational measures and strategies including regarding nature-based solutions; and sustainable use of biological resources.

Objectives of the contract relate to the improvement of standards so that they support:

- measurement and improvement of impacts on biodiversity of sectors such as forestry, agriculture, food systems, and other industries;
- mainstreaming of biodiversity within policy and economic decision-making;
- activities maximising benefits from biodiversity to society (nature for society) and supporting nature’s own flourishing (nature for nature).

ECOS is the pan-European NGO promoting environmental interests in the development of standards. With nearly 20 years of experience in standards and technical policies, ECOS represents around 50 European and national members, including the European Environmental Bureau, Friends of the Earth Europe, Transport & Environment and WWF. ECOS is a partner organisation of the European standardisation organisations CEN and CENELEC, a member of ETSI and a liaison organisation to IEC & ISO. Learn more: [www.ecostandard.org](http://www.ecostandard.org)

The nominated experts will:

- Participate in relevant technical meetings of ISO to promote ECOS position;
- Prepare technical input through official comments and position papers;
- Report to and liaise with the relevant ECOS Programme Manager;
- As requested exchange information with ECOS member organisations and other experts.

Interested candidates should have a sufficiently broad interest and knowledge about all the different issues mentioned above, and at the same time the readiness to dive into specific topics.

Candidates should demonstrate a strong commitment to environmental NGO values and have proven written and oral communication and negotiation skills. Experience with and understanding of the policy context, including international agreements and negotiations related to biodiversity and EU policies, and
of standardisation developments are a strong asset. Fluency in English and willingness to travel are required.

Candidates may apply as a grouping or organisation with multiple experts involved to enhance expert availability and coverage of the different topics.

**ECOS offers:**
- A daily fee for preparation of meetings, participation and reporting, and/or other technical work;
- Reimbursement of travel costs;
- Per diem to cover accommodation and subsistence costs.

Please send your CV and cover letter *outlining your motivation and demonstrating your suitability to support and represent ECOS to Samy Porteron (samy.porteron@ecostandard.org)* by 20/05/2022 COB. Applications will be assessed by the secretariat. Only shortlisted candidates will be contacted.