



PROJECT MANAGER (CHIEF SCIENTIFIC OFFICER)
(2-YEAR FIXED-TERM CONTRACT POST)
FUTURE WATER INSTITUTE
DEPARTMENT OF CIVIL ENGINEERING
FACULTY OF ENGINEERING & BUILT ENVIRONMENT

The Future Water Institute at the University of Cape Town invites applications for a Project Manager to be based at the Water Hub in Franschhoek. This full-time contract position offers an exciting opportunity to support an ambitious demonstration project on the Food-Energy-Water-Waste Nexus (FEWW). The role is ideally suited to a dynamic and skilled researcher passionate about nature-based solutions (NBS), the circular economy, sustainability science and development. Working within a transdisciplinary team of local and international partners, the successful candidate will lead, coordinate, and deliver scientific research and innovation activities across multiple work packages. The Water Hub is an established living laboratory for integrated FEWW approaches. This project will expand existing NBS infrastructure (biofilters and SMART tanks) for wastewater reclamation; develop a circular resource model linking reclaimed water to food production and organic waste to biogas and fertilizer; co-create sustainable technologies and business models with local communities; and promote ecosystem restoration, greenhouse gas reduction, and sustainable livelihoods.

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