



VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

Boat/Field Vehicle Driver (1 Position)

Position Summary

Department	Program
Country	South Sudan
Duty Station	Fangak County, Jonglei State of South Sudan (frequent field travel to Pigi/Canal)
Expected Start Date	1 st August 2026
Duration of Contract	12 months renewable depending on performance
Reporting to	Program Manager/Livestock Specialist/ CD
Contract Type	This is a National Position

Background

Vétérinaires Sans Frontières - Germany (VSF Germany) is a non-governmental, non-profit making international Organization, engaged in the field of veterinary relief and development work providing humanitarian aid and development assistance to pastoralists and vulnerable communities in areas where livestock is of importance. With support in animal health, agriculture, marketing, and food safety, VSFG works towards food security and strengthened livelihoods of pastoralist communities. VSF Germany implements activities in Ethiopia, Sudan, South Sudan, Kenya, Uganda and Somalia.

VSF Germany seeks to recruit qualified and well experienced staff for the position of **Boat/Field Vehicle Driver (1 Position)** to be based at VSF Germany Filed office **location in Fangak and Pigi/Canal counties with frequent field travel in the two counties in South Sudan**. The holder of this position will have an overall environmental and social safeguards oversight for all projects implemented in South Sudan Country Program under VSF Germany.

Determined by the level of experience as assessed during the recruitment process. **Female candidates are highly encouraged to apply.**

Principal Duties and Responsibilities

This position will be assigned the following duties and responsibilities:

- Provide reliable and secure river transport services for VSF Germany staff, assets, and project supplies across the Nile/Zeraf river networks between Fangak and Pigi/Canal counties.
- Conduct daily pre-departure checks of the boat hull, outboard engines (propellers, fuel lines, spark plugs), fuel/oil ratios, battery levels, steering mechanisms, and onboard safety equipment.
- Ensure all mandatory safety gear (life jackets, oars, bilge pumps, anchor, first aid kits, waterproof communication tools) is functional and that all passengers wear personal flotation devices before leaving the dock.
- Supervise the safe loading, balancing, and securing of project supplies (e.g., veterinary vaccines, equipment) to prevent capsizing or water damage.
- Utilize the boat and field assets strictly for authorized official project trips approved by the designated supervisor. Maintain rigorous records of boat/vehicle usage, including fuel consumption logs, engine running hours (or mileage logs for field vehicles), and clear trip registries.
- Responsible for daily cleaning, routine outboard engine servicing (changing plugs, cleaning fuel filters), and promptly reporting major mechanical faults to the logistics team.
- Assist in receiving, delivering, and handling official project documentation and field supplies at docking points and project sites.

Experience, skills and knowledge requirements

- Secondary education completion.
- Must possess a valid, applicable marine/boat operations certification or proven local authority clearance for motorized boat piloting, alongside a valid driving license for field vehicles.
- Minimum of 4 years' work experience operating motorized boats (outboard engines) in complex river environments, swamps, or flood-prone wetlands. Additional experience driving light field vehicles (4x4) is required.
- Strong working knowledge of local river geography, seasonal water-level variations, hidden sandbars, floating vegetation risks (Sudd blockages), and safe docking procedures.
- Hands-on skill in basic marine engine troubleshooting, clearing fouled propellers, and executing emergency repairs stranded in remote field locations.
- At least 2 years of work experience with International/local NGO working environment, preferably navigating the context of Jonglei State.
- Language Requirements: Fluent in the predominant local language and fair in Arabic and English.
- Firm belief in teamwork, gender equality, sensitivity to environmental/social safeguards, participatory approach and sustainable development

Reporting Lines: WASH Officer/Project Officer

How to apply:

Interested and qualified candidates should submit an application letter indicating current pay and CV plus 3 names of referees (*one of them being their immediate supervisor*) with their full contacts through this Google Form Link : <https://forms.gle/Lix2x5rG5jkrAnFz9>

Only short-listed candidates will be contacted for interviews. **Closing date for receiving applications is 20th/07/ 2026.** *VSF Germany is an equal opportunities employer. Female candidates are strongly encouraged to apply.*

DON'T SUBMIT copies of transcripts, academic degrees, or recommendation letter as you will provide them up on request only. Make sure also you clearly state the job position in your email or on the cover of envelop and or application letter.

Due to the urgency, assessments of the applications will be an ongoing basis as applications are received.

Disclaimer:

VSF Germany does not charge any kind of fee at whichever stage of the recruitment process and does not act through recruitment agents.