The Africa CSO Working Group (AWG) is an open inclusive pan-African platform (working space) seeking to promote sustainable development in Africa. AWG believes in the pan-African vision as expressed in Agenda 2063 of “an integrated, prosperous and peaceful Africa driven by its own citizens and representing a dynamic force in the international arena”. We believe in Africa’s transformative capacity to achieve accelerated development and a prosperous future for all Africans; and we believe that solutions to Africa’s development challenges will emerge from Africa, owned and driven by Africans.

Our transformative role in Africa’s development agenda is to present a strong African perspective in global and regional development processes; promote evidence-based and citizen-driven development policy and practice in Africa to ensure that no one is left behind; and to strengthen the role of, and build the capacity of civil society in Africa to engage in the implementation and monitoring of Africa’s development commitments. AWG leverages the collective power of its diverse and regional membership to achieve its goals.

AWG seeks to appoint a Coordinator, based in South Africa, to lead and facilitate the work of AWG. The Coordinator will be located at African Monitor’s offices - the host for AWG. NB: While AWG seeks to appoint a qualified African from any country, applicants should already be based in South Africa and be in possession of a work permit or citizenship.

**Brief Role Description:**

This role is a strategic leadership position, where the incumbent will have the primary responsibility to lead and facilitate key activities of the platform. He/she will turn the vision of the platform into an actionable plan, coordinate with members and partners to implement key activities including SDG monitoring, advocacy, mobilisation, and capacity building for African civil society. The AWG coordinator will have high-level political engagement responsibility, liaising primarily with all key structures of the African Union and UN system to promote the work and positions of AWG. The coordinator will further build and sustain relationships with other civil society networks in the region and at the global level, including AWG funders. Working with a small team, the Coordinator will ensure that AWG’s communication function operates effectively and efficiently, disseminating information to members in a timely manner while promoting the AWG brand.
The AWG Coordinator will be under the direct supervision of African Monitor’s Executive Director. He/she will report to the AWG Co-Chairs and Core Facilitating Group (CFG).

**Requirements**

- A post-graduate degree in Social Sciences, Economics, Law, International Relations and/or related fields;
- 5+ years’ experience running/managing international projects and/or programmes;
- Have established leadership skills and the ability to exercise a high degree of initiative, creativity, problem solving.
- Excellent communication and relationship building skills, including ability to communicate at different levels and with diverse stakeholders.
- Good negotiation and conflict management skills, with demonstrable experience of navigating successfully between differing demands and stakeholders.
- Unquestionable professional work ethic and integrity.
- Extensive knowledge of issues related to Africa’s development, including Agenda 2063, Agenda 2030, and the development finance architecture.
- Extensive knowledge of SDG monitoring and review processes.
- Have an understanding of results-based management with project/programme management and financial management skills.
- Excellent presentation and writing skills;
- Fluent in English. Working knowledge of French will be an added advantage.

To apply submit a comprehensive CV, 3 contactable references and a covering letter to awg@africanmonitor.org.

Contract duration is 18 months.

**Closing Date: Friday, 14 September 2018.**

Starting date, as soon as possible.