

Job Announcement

University of Vienna, Department of Botany and Biodiversity Research

Postdoc - Animal Biodiversity Research

Application deadline: 10.03.2019

The University of Vienna (19 faculties and centres, 178 fields of study, approx. 9.600 members of staff, about 92.000 students) seeks to fill the position from 01.04.2019 to 31.02.2025 of a

Scientific Staff (post doc)

at the Department of Botany and Biodiversity Research

Reference number: 9440

The combined analysis of ecological data together with sequence information has opened up multiple venues of research on processes that shape species assemblages, from local to continental scales. In our group we study patterns of animal diversity across all spatial levels in order to unravel mechanisms that generate and maintain biodiversity. Emphasis is on terrestrial biota from tropical as well as temperate zones (see <https://animal-biodiversity.univie.ac.at>). We are seeking for a scientist with an organismal perspective and broad command of analytical techniques, interested to work at the interface between biodiversity research, ecology, and evolutionary biology. The focus should be on insects as target organisms. A range of lab facilities is available in house, as is support through a technician. The successful candidate is expected to develop an independent, internationally visible scientific agenda. Teaching obligation is 4 hours per semester week. The position is limited to six years.

Duration of employment: 6 year/s

Extent of Employment: 40 hours/week

Job grading in accordance with collective bargaining agreement: §48 VwGr. B1 lit. b (postdoc) with relevant work experience determining the assignment to a particular salary grade.

Job Description: The main task is active participation in research and teaching at the Division of Tropical Ecology & Animal Biodiversity. This includes developing and strengthening an independent research profile as well as involvement in research projects of the division. International publications and presentations are expected, as are project applications to acquire third-party funding. The position offers the opportunity to prepare a habilitation thesis. Independent teaching of courses as defined by the collective agreement and supervision of students are required. The successful candidate should also participate in evaluation measures.

Profile:

- Doctoral degree/PhD degree in Ecology, Zoology or a related field
- International publication record (peer-reviewed) resulting from earlier scientific work
- Excellent command of statistical methods, especially in the language R
- Experience with academic teaching

- High ability to express yourself both orally and in writing
- Excellent command of written and spoken English
- Ability to work in a team

Desirable qualifications are experience abroad, experience with supervising students and some command of entomology.

Application documents:

- Letter of motivation
- Academic curriculum vitae (including a list of publications, a list of courses and talks given; if applicable: earlier third-party funded projects)
- Description of your own research interests and agenda
- Contact details of people who could provide a letter of reference

Applications including a letter of motivation (German or English) should be submitted via the Job Center to the University of Vienna (<http://jobcenter.univie.ac.at>) no later than 10.03.2019, mentioning **reference number 9440**.

For further information please contact Fiedler, Konrad +43-1-4277-57400.

The University pursues a non-discriminatory employment policy and values equal opportunities, as well as diversity (<http://diversity.univie.ac.at>). The University lays special emphasis on increasing the number of women in senior and in academic positions. Given equal qualifications, preference will be given to female applicants.

Human Resources and Gender Equality of the University of Vienna

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