



The "Evolutionary Animal Ecology" lab at TU Darmstadt offers a **4-year-position** (starting date: **01.06.2023**) as

## **Research Assistant / PhD student – 65% (E13)**

The position is located within the framework of a project of the recently founded Lore Steubing Institute. The research project will investigate the effects of forest and conservation management, current changes in forest structure and tree species composition, and the associated microclimate in the soil on leaf litter invertebrates.

You are interested in ecological relationships at the community level, in nature conservation and the preservation of native forests. You have a university degree in biology/ecology, experience in field work, ideally good knowledge of the leaf litter fauna (insects, arachnids, earthworms, snails...), are skilled in statistical analyses of ecological data sets and have a class B driving license.

We offer a vital ecological research environment in the "Animal Evolutionary Ecology" and "Ecological Networks" groups in Darmstadt, and a developing network with the numerous partners of the Lore Steubing Institute for your personal and scientific development.

The TU Darmstadt aims to increase the proportion of women among its staff and therefore particularly encourages women to apply. Applicants with a degree of disability of at least 50 or equivalent will be given preference in the case of equal suitability.

Please send your application documents (German or English) as a single PDF to Michael Heethoff ([heethoff@bio.tu-darmstadt.de](mailto:heethoff@bio.tu-darmstadt.de); keyword: **LaubKlima**), who is also happy to answer any questions.

**Application deadline: 23.04.2023**