Curator for Entomology - Hymenoptera - Zoologische Staatssammlung München

The Natural History Collections of the Bavarian State (SNSB) are among the oldest and largest research collections in the world. They unite natural history collections in the fields of zoology, botany, geology, paleontology, mineralogy, anthropology and paleoanatomy – including the living collections of the Botanic Garden. Around 280 employees archive and conduct research on around 32 million objects. The SNSB's collection, research, and knowledge transfer activities focus on geo- and biosphere change, with a particular emphasis on alpine systems in time and space. With our national and international research, we contribute significantly to a deeper understanding of geo- and biodiversity and the impact of human activity on the Earth's ecosystem.

The Division of Entomology of the Zoological Collection of the Bavarian State (Zoologische Staatssammlung München, ZSM, a department of the SNSB) offers a full-time, permanent position as

Curator of the Hymenoptera collection

Responsibilites

- Curation of Germany's largest Hymenoptera collection.
- Organismic research related to collections, preferably in the fields of systematics, taxonomy, evolution, museomics, genomics and/or ecology, with a focus on Hymenoptera.
- Cooperation in joint, cross-collection research projects to strengthen the research profile of the SNSB, e.g. in the priority areas of "Alpine Systems" or biosphere change.

Required qualifications

- PhD or doctorate in Biology, with a focus on entomology.
- Experience with insect collections management and collections-based research.
- Strong publication record in systematic entomology with a focus on Hymenoptera, covering fields such as biogeography, phylogeny, species discovery, integrative taxonomy, and evolutionary biology.
- Documented experience in phylogenomics and/or population genomics, as well as the related bioinformatic pipelines (ideally in their programming).
- Fluency in English and preferably also German (if not the latter, a commitment to take language courses should be present).

Desired qualifications

- Molecular laboratory work experience.
- Success in recruitment of third-party funding.
- Interest in cooperative projects with other research teams at the ZSM (and also other departments of SNSB, e.g. in botany).

We offer

- The ZSM features a team of collections technicians, a general collection manager and curators engaged not only in overseeing one of the World's largest zoological collections, but also in state-of-the-art research, international fieldwork / capacity building / and cooperation in general
- A diverse research environment with a wide range of skills and opportunities for cooperation in the SNSB, as well as cross-collection infrastructure and core facilities.
- An interesting and varied job in the public sector, as well as all the advantages of working for the Free State of Bavaria
- Remuneration in accordance with the collective agreement of the federal states (TV-L).

We look forward to receiving your informative and complete application documents with a letter of motivation (including details of the medium-term research and collection concept), CV (including a list of publications, third-party funding, collection experience, teaching experience, public relations work) and references by 15.02.2024 at the latest at bewerbung@snsb.de.

If you have any questions regarding content, please contact Prof. Dr. Michael Matschiner (matschiner@snsb.de) or Dr. Michael Balke (balke.m@snsb.de). For questions about the procedure or application process, please contact Ms. Susann Windisch (personal@snsb.de).

Applicants with disabilities will be given preference if they are otherwise equally qualified. To increase diversity at ZSM, we are particularly interested in receiving applications from women and international researchers. The position can be filled on a part-time basis, provided that full-time performance of the duties is ensured through job sharing. Please note that application documents will be destroyed and not returned after the procedure has been completed. Travel costs for the journey to a possible interview can unfortunately not be covered, but interviews can also be conducted online.