

The Department of Economics and Social Sciences, Institute of Social Ecology is currently seeking a

# **Postdoctoral Research Associate**

(Reference code 275)

Extent of employment: 40 hours per week

Duration of employment: as of now, limited to a period of 6 years

Workplace: 1070 Vienna, Schottenfeldgasse 29

Allocation in compliance with the Collective Agreement for University Staff to job group: B1 lit. b Gross monthly salary: (depending on previous eligible experience) at least: € 4.752,30 (payable 14 times per year)

The Institute of Social Ecology (SEC) is a team-oriented research environment that encompasses natural and social sciences as well as humanities in the field of inter- and transdisciplinary sustainability research. The position is associated with the professorship of Social Ecology (Univ. Prof. Dr. Melanie Pichler) and is expected to conduct individual and collaborative social science research on social-ecological transformations that is connected to quantitative and qualitative research approaches at SEC. Specifically, the person is expected to conduct a post doc project in the field of political ecology (e.g. new conflicts in the course of social-ecological transformations, changing geopolitical and Nord-South relations, more-than-human methodologies) and develop an interdisciplinary research profile in this field.

#### **Responsibilities**

- Participate in and apply for third party funding
- Publish in scientific journals and present research at national and international conferences
- Teach individual and collaborative courses in BA, MA and/or PhD programs
- Collaborate with different stakeholders
- Participate in and organize third mission activities
- Participate in self-governance and institutional development at the institute, department and university level

### **Required skills and qualifications**

- Doctorate degree / PhD in a field of interdisciplinary sustainability research (e.g. political ecology, natural resource management, socio-ecological economics) or social science (e.g. human geography, political science, development studies, sociology, social anthropology)
- Language skills: English, German, other languages depending on the research focus

- Experience in and proven ability to conduct qualitative social research in the field of political ecology or adjacent research fields
- Experience in interdisciplinary sustainability research (e.g. integration of qualitative and quantitative data, integration of knowledge from natural and social sciences)
- Collaborative and communicative skills for working in an interdisciplinary team
- Proven ability to publish in international journals
- Teaching experience and didactic skills

## Desirable skills and qualifications

- Experience in the acquisition of third-party funding
- Skills for and experience in third mission (e.g. non-scientific writing, engagement in civil society initiatives)

#### Applications can be submitted until: 6<sup>th</sup> of January 2025

University of Natural Resources and Life Sciences Vienna seeks to increase the number of its female faculty and staff members. Therefore qualified women are strongly encouraged to apply. In case of equal qualification, female candidates will be given preference unless reasons specific to an individual male candidate tilt the balance in his favour.

People with disabilities and appropriate qualifications are specifically encouraged to apply.

Please send your job application incl.

- Motivation letter
- CV
- Research proposal for post doctoral project incl. research plan (i.e. coarse publication and projects plans) (max. 3 pages)
- Teaching portfolio (including teaching philosophy and dealing with artificial intelligence in teaching) (max. 2 pages)
- Contact details for (up to two) references (optional)

to Personnel Management, University of Natural Resources and Life Sciences, Peter-Jordan-Straße 70, 1190 Vienna; E-Mail: <u>recruiting@boku.ac.at</u>. **(Reference code: 275)** 

We regret that we cannot reimburse applicants travel and lodging expenses incurred as part of the selection and hiring process.

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