

The Department of Forest- and Soil Sciences, Institute of Forest Entomology, Forest Pathology and Forest Protection is currently seeking a

## **Postdoctoral Research Associate**

(Reference code: 172)

Extent of employment: 40 hours per week  
Duration of employment: October 2021, limited to 6 years

Gross monthly salary and pay grade in terms of collective agreement for university staff (payable 14 times per year): B1 lit. b, € 3.945,90

The successful applicant works predominantly in the working group forest pathology of the institute. The research focus depends on current projects at the institute, collaborative opportunities between staff members as well as the expertise and interests of the appointed candidate. Completion of postdoctoral lecturer qualification (“Habilitation”) within the employment period will be encouraged.

### **Responsibilities**

- Independent research and publishing in the fields of forest pathology and/or forest mycology
- Teaching in forest pathology, forest protection, mycology and/or ecology in Bachelor and Master programs at BOKU
- Co-supervision of Bachelor, Master and Doctoral theses
- Acquisition, execution and management of third-party funded projects
- Administrative tasks at the institute
- Engagement in the academic self-administration and in committees of the Department of Forest and Soil Sciences and/or the University of Natural Resources and Life Sciences, Vienna

### **Required skills and qualifications**

- Doctoral degree/PhD
- Diploma/Master degree in Biology, Forest, Agricultural or Plant Sciences, Plant Health and Plant Protection or other equivalent university degree
- Excellent expertise and research experience in the fields of Forest/Plant Pathology, Mycology, Plant Sciences, and/or Molecular Ecology (applied in the aforementioned fields of research)

### **Desirable skills and qualifications**

- Scientific publications in the above-mentioned fields (preferentially connected to forests)
- Record of third-party funded projects
- Experience in academic teaching and supervision of student theses
- Know-how, methodological competence and laboratory experience in molecular ecology
- Experience in conducting laboratory and field studies
- Profound knowledge in statistics, expertise in data analysis and experience with appropriate software programs
- Knowledge in related disciplines (e.g. forest/plant protection, forest entomology, silviculture, ecology)
- Experience in knowledge transfer (oral and written) to various target audiences
- Excellent language skills in German and English (oral and written); German can also be learnt after starting the job
- National and international scientific mobility
- National and international collaborations
- High capability to conduct scientific work independently, goal-oriented and timely
- Excellent communication and cooperation skills to work in a team
- Driving licence

Applications can be submitted until: 3<sup>rd</sup> of October 2021

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
- List of publications (in SCI-listed / non SCI-listed journals), congress contributions, third-party projects, teaching and supervision activities
- Short draft concept of planned research activities as part of the position (max. 3 A4-pages)

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More information about BOKU, the Department of Forest- and Soil Sciences and the Institute of Forest Entomology, Forest Pathology and Forest Protection can be found on the following websites:

[www.wabo.oku.ac.at](http://www.wabo.oku.ac.at) and [www.wabo.boku.ac.at/iff](http://www.wabo.boku.ac.at/iff).

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

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