



## The University of Natural Resources and Life Sciences, Vienna (BOKU)

is currently inviting applications for the position of a Full Professor of

### Landscape Planning

The University of Natural Resources and Life Sciences, Vienna (BOKU), Department of Landscape, Spatial and Infrastructure Sciences seeks to appoint a Full Professor of Landscape Planning with 1st October 2023. The position is offered in accordance with § 98 of the 2002 Universities Act in the form of an ongoing contract.

The University of Natural Resources and Life Sciences, Vienna, the “Alma Mater Viridis”, is the University of Sustainability and Life Sciences. It is BOKU's task to make a key contribution to the conservation and protection of resources for future generations through its wide variety of expertise. Combining natural sciences, engineering plus social and economic sciences, its aim is to increase knowledge of the ecologically and economically sustainable use of natural resources. With 11,000 students and over 2,900 staff members, BOKU is one of Europe's leading life science universities.

The professor will be appointed at the Department of Landscape, Spatial and Infrastructure Sciences at the Institute of Landscape Planning, which hosts six further institutes: i) Statistics, ii) Landscape Architecture, iii) Landscape Development, Recreation and Conservation Planning, iv) Spatial Planning, Environmental Planning and Land Rearrangement, v) Transport Studies, and vi) Geomatics. The department is a renowned knowledge hub, focusing on the analysis, planning and development of sustainable and resilient landscapes, considering a mix of engineering, planning and design perspectives. The strategic mission of the department is the integration of fundamental and applied research to manage natural resources. Such approaches require collaboration with actors and organisations within and beyond BOKU. The department takes a lead position in the Bachelor's and Master's programme in Landscape Planning and Landscape Architecture, and is involved in other Bachelor's and Master's programs offered by BOKU.

The new professor is expected to demonstrate a strong track record in research and teaching in landscape planning, taking a people-centred approach, focusing on livability, wellbeing, and socio-economic and ecologically-compatible land uses. The professorship is expected to deliver research-led teaching in the Bachelor's and Master's programme in Landscape Planning and Landscape Architecture and for doctoral programs.

In research, the professorship will contribute to deepening the understanding of theoretical and methodological perspectives of landscape planning, including research on technical-scientific and landscape planning issues and the development of sustainable solutions to global challenges (see the BOKU fields of competence <https://boku.ac.at/en/fos/themen/boku-competence-areas>, Agenda 2030, Sustainable Development Goals <https://sdgs.un.org/>). Another part of the research agenda is the advancement of formal and informal planning instruments at a regional and local level and their embeddedness in and relationship with the national and international context, to strengthen the department's contribution to sustainable urban, land use and landscape planning, including planning, communicative and participatory processes.

The Chair of Landscape Planning researches the foundations for gender-responsive planning concepts and principles that provide a socially and gender-just access to landscapes, resources and open spaces in rural and urban context. This professorship has a partial designation for gender research and is expected to strengthen the integration of gender dimensions in research and teaching activities.

#### Job specifications:

- Venia docendi or foreign equivalent or an equivalent subject-relevant academic qualification.

- Relevant experience and competence in teaching, guidance in scientific work, as well as the supervision of junior scientists (PhD students). The candidate is expected to submit a teaching portfolio.
- Subject-specific research experience, national and international reputation, as well as ability to network. Excellent publication achievements in the scientific field.
- Sound international research experience.
- Teaching in German and English.
- Experience in the successful acquisition, execution and management of research projects.
- Cooperation with national and international research institutions and with relevant partners from public services and business.
- Management and interpersonal skills, gender and diversity competences, communication and team skills.
- Participation in public relations.
- Participation in relevant focus and cooperation programs of the University.
- Participation in the self-governance of the University of Natural Resources and Life Sciences, Vienna.
- Excellent knowledge of written and spoken German and English or willingness to learn German in the first two years.

For more information about this position, please contact the Head of Department of Landscape, Spatial and Infrastructure Sciences, Univ.-Prof. Dr. Gernot Stöglehner, phone: +43 1 47654 85501, email: [gernot.stoeglehner@boku.ac.at](mailto:gernot.stoeglehner@boku.ac.at).

Please send your application in English by email to [rektorat@boku.ac.at](mailto:rektorat@boku.ac.at) and one hard copy no later than **28th April 2023** (date on postage stamp) to the Rectorate of the University of Natural Resources and Life Sciences, Vienna (BOKU), Gregor-Mendel-Straße 33, 1180 Vienna, Austria.

Please include the following documents with your application:

- Brief explanation of why you believe yourself to be particularly suitable for this position (max. 1 page A4)
- CV including ORCID and details of professional, teaching and research activities (incl. teaching portfolio – further information is available in German at <http://short.boku.ac.at/lehrportfolio>)
- Draft concept for research and teaching; presentation of planned research priorities (max. 4 pages A4)
- List of publications (referenced / not referenced), presentations and projects
- Copies of 5 recent publications that you consider particularly important

By submitting the application, you also agree to the participation of an external recruitment consultant in the selection process.

The University of Natural Resources and Life Sciences, Vienna is seeking to increase the number of its female faculty members and therefore, qualified women are strongly encouraged to apply. Women are given priority when qualifications are equal, except in cases where there are outweighing factors concerning another candidate.

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

The employment contract is classified as group A1 of the collective agreement for university employees. Minimum gross yearly salary: € 81,571; the actual annual gross salary is subject to negotiation.

More information on this position and about BOKU and this department can be found on the website: <https://boku.ac.at>