



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

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

Landscape Architecture

The University of Natural Resources and Life Sciences, Vienna (BOKU) seeks to appoint a Full Professor of Landscape Architecture with 1st February 2025. 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 10,000 students and over 2,900 staff members, BOKU is one of Europe's leading life science universities.

In research terms, the main focus of the current Department of Landscape, Spatial and Infrastructure Sciences is on the analysis, planning and development of sustainable landscapes and spaces from the point of view of engineering, planning and design. Its strategic goals centre on integrating basic research with applied research and on the management of natural resources: this gives rise to cooperative projects both within and outside the Department and the University. The Department has core responsibility for the bachelor's and master's degree programmes in Landscape Planning and Landscape Architecture and teaches knowledge and skills in other bachelor's and master's degree programmes at BOKU.

In its teaching and research activities, the Institute of Landscape Architecture, where the professorship will be located, is concerned with the design and creation of open spaces and landscapes. The goal is to develop high-quality environments with sustainability in mind. The focus is on current global challenges such as climate change, urbanisation, social justice and the sustainable use of resources. Its basic and applied research programme makes use of qualitative, quantitative, social science and design-based methods.

Teaching and research work in the following thematic fields:

- The design of open spaces in urban and rural settings
- Urban transformation and the transformation of open spaces in the city
- Landscape and infrastructure
- Design competitions
- The history of landscape architecture
- The use of plants in landscape architecture
- Design and presentation methods

The applicant is expected to play an active part in today's national and international discourse on landscape architecture at all levels and on every scale. The key tasks of the professorship are to further develop and impart theories and methods of landscape architecture with a focus on landscape design and open space planning. This includes digital and analogue approaches to analysis, design and presentation.

As part of the professorship, the successful candidate will offer research-led teaching and will supervise final theses for the bachelor's and master's degree programmes in Landscape Planning and Landscape Architecture as well as for other programmes and doctorates at BOKU. On-campus presence is expected.

The position involves contributing to the design, implementation and further development of new module programmes (at bachelor's and master's levels). The successful candidate will actively support the

running and further development of the LArchiv – Archive of Austrian Landscape Architecture, which is integrated into the Institute of Landscape Architecture. They should position landscape architecture at its point of intersection with adjacent disciplines such as Landscape Planning, Spatial Planning, Urban Planning, Architecture and Art and represent it both within the University and externally.

Job specifications:

- Venia docendi or international equivalent or an subject-relevant academic qualification, that is equivalent to a habilitation.
- Relevant experience and competence in teaching, guidance in scientific work, as well as the supervision of junior scientists (PhD students).
- 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.
- Sound experience in the design, planning and execution of landscape architecture projects.
- Teaching in German and English.
- Experience in the successful acquisition, execution and management of competitive research projects at national and European level.
- Cooperation with national and international research institutions and with relevant partners from public services and business.
- Management and interpersonal skills including skills in gender and diversity management, inclusion and accessibility in communication; 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, e-mail: gernot.stoeglehner@boku.ac.at.

Please submit your application as **single PDF file** (LastName_FirstName.pdf) containing the information mentioned below in English via e-mail to the Rectorate of the University of Natural Resources and Life Sciences Vienna (berufungen@boku.ac.at) no later than **25th May 2024**.

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 portfolios – further information is available at <http://short.boku.ac.at/teachingportfolio>)
- 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: € 89,075; 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/>