12 Ph.D. Positions

The DFG-funded Research Training Group 2123 “Conservation of Forest Biodiversity in Multiple-use Landscapes of Central Europe” (ConFoBi) invites applications for 12 positions (65%) for doctoral researchers. The positions are available for three years, starting 1 July 2022.

The Research Training Group ConFoBi offers an inter- and transdisciplinary biodiversity research and qualification programme which draws its novelty from the combination of multi-scale ecological studies on forest biodiversity with social and economic studies of biodiversity conservation. For more details see https://confobi.uni-freiburg.de/.

Requirements

We invite applications from highly motivated candidates who have a background in at least one of the scientific disciplines represented in this Research Training Group. These comprise Wildlife Ecology, Conservation Genetics, Functional Biodiversity Research, Vegetation Ecology, Silviculture, Remote Sensing, Forest Policy, Environmental Sociology, Forest Economics, Environmental Systems Analysis. A strong interest in interdisciplinary research and the willingness to engage in scientific exchange with other disciplines is essential. Each doctoral researcher will develop her/his project in close cooperation with her/his supervisors and the ConFoBi coordination team, and is expected to contribute to the final synthesis process of ConFoBi’s research programme through developing at least one joint interdisciplinary research paper as part of her/his doctoral thesis.

Successful applicants will (1) hold a M.Sc. degree (or equivalent) in a relevant discipline, (2) have experience with methods and/or organisms relevant to the Research Training Group and (3) very good statistical skills and/or knowledge of qualitative research designs (4), are fluent in spoken and written English, and (5) are motivated to join and actively contribute to an inter- and transdisciplinary research training environment.

Applications

Detailed information on the individual projects and research topics are available at https://confobi.uni-freiburg.de/en/projects. Candidates are required to indicate which of the twelve projects (A1, A2, B1…, D2) they prefer and explain their motivation for choosing it. Interviews will take place online between early February and early March 2022.

Please send your application in electronic form by 16 January, 2022 to confobi@uni-freiburg.de as a single pdf document (max. size 5mb) or submit online. For further information about the application process please contact Theresa Waldvogel, +49 761 203-3668 for subject specific questions the Project PI or Michael Wohlwend +49 761 203-96851, or send a mail to confobi@uni-freiburg.de.

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