Research Associate (m/f/d) Junior Research Group Science Communication of Global Change Ecology

The University of Bayreuth is a research-oriented university with internationally competitive and interdisciplinary oriented focus areas in research and teaching, one of which is the focus area Ecology and Environmental Sciences.

Within the framework of the funding program Excellence Networks and University Cooperations (EVUK) to strengthen the research focus "Impacts of Global Change on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Functions: Stressors, Processes and Adaptation Potential" a temporary management position is available at the next possible point in time for the independent junior research group in

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with immediate effect until 31.12.2025 with remuneration according to remuneration group 14 TV-L.

The transparent and comprehensible communication of scientific results to the general public as well as an open dialogue between university and the public play a central role in understanding the mechanisms and significance of global change as well as the acceptance and implementation of measures to mitigate it. The junior research group will therefore develop new concepts in science communication on the topic of global change ecology as well as convey modern concepts of science communication to researchers and scientists.

The group leader (f/m/d) is expected to implement an innovative research project in the field of Science Communication of Global Change Ecology. They will be responsible for the integration and supervision of PhD students. Active participation in collaborative projects such as the funding program EVUK, the SFB 1357 Microplastics or the Bavarian Network for Climate Research Aquaklif and Landklif as well as cooperating with working groups within the Bayreuth Center for Ecology and Environmental Research (BayCEER) and at the partner university Würzburg (EVUK) is expected.

The junior research group will be based at the Bayreuth Center for Ecology and Environmental Research (BayCEER), which offers a unique, highly interdisciplinary working environment in the field of global change ecology. The group leader will be integrated into a national and international network of diverse scientific disciplines through the Excellence Networks funding program and can benefit from a highly motivated team and an exciting field of activity with considerable creative leeway.

A prerequisite for application is a very good PhD in a field relevant to Science Communication. The PhD should have been completed at least two and at most six years before the application deadline. The position is a fixed-term contract according to the Wissenschaftszeitvertragsgesetz and serves to promote scientific qualification. The duration of employment depends on the legal and personal requirements. In all other respects, the hiring requirements are set according to the Bavarian University Personnel Act.
The University of Bayreuth offers an excellent health support program, a family-friendly working environment with flexible working hours and various opportunities for professional and personal development.

The University of Bayreuth values the diversity of its employees as an enrichment and expressly commits to the goal of gender equality. Female scientists are strongly encouraged to apply. Persons with severe disabilities will be given preferential consideration if they are equally qualified.

In addition to the usual application documents (curriculum vitae with scientific career development, list of publications, list of courses, certificates and diplomas), two reference contacts must be named who are willing to write letters of recommendation upon request. A central component of the application is a research concept in English outlining an innovative research project suitable for a junior research group. The research concept (max. 5 pages) should contain the following points:

- Summary of the proposed research (max 300 words)
- State of the Art and Preliminary Research
- Research Objectives and Methods
- Work Program
- Planned collaborations within BayCEER

**Your application**

Please apply [online](#) with meaningful application documents by **30.06.2022**, stating the password: "Science Communication" via our application portal at the University of Bayreuth.

The documents will be deleted after the position has been filled in accordance with data protection requirements.

If you have any queries, please contact Prof. Dr. Laforsch, site spokesperson of the Excellence Networks and University Cooperation funding programme. E-Mail: [christian.laforsch@uni-bayreuth.de](mailto:christian.laforsch@uni-bayreuth.de).