Research Fellow in Biodiversity and Ecosystem Science  
University of Leeds Job Reference Number FBSIC0001

We are looking for an ecosystem or functional ecologist to join our team as part of the recently funded EU EXPEER (EXPERimentation in Ecosystem Research) project. The main responsibilities of the post are to organise a programme of field and database research on the upscaling of plant and microbial biodiversity and their relationship with ecosystem function. You would also work with the project team to help standardise methods used to measure ecosystem processes across Europe, and to analyse the environmental representation of European ecosystem research sites. You will join a large diverse ecological research group in Leeds, and have the opportunity to develop wide-ranging collaborations across Europe.

You must have a first degree and PhD in ecology, physical geography, environmental sciences or a closely allied discipline, and should have a good understanding of ecosystem science and in particular the relationship between biodiversity and ecosystem function. The post requires an ability to work well both independently and as part of a team, together with good data management and analytical skills. The project also requires good time management and communication skills, and experience in collaborative working, ideally in an international or interdisciplinary context.

University Grade 7 (£29,972 - £35,788 p.a.)

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