



Biodiversität und Klima
Forschungszentrum

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The *Biodiversity and Climate Research Centre* (BiK-F) is a new interdisciplinary institute with the mission to carry out internationally outstanding research on the interactions of biodiversity and climate change on the organism level. It has been founded by the Senckenberg Gesellschaft fuer Naturforschung, the Goethe-University Frankfurt am Main, and other partners. The Centre is funded by the Federal State of Hesse through its Initiative for the Development of Scientific and Economic Excellence (LOEWE). It provides a new, dynamic research environment that integrates a variety of disciplines from both natural and social sciences. The Project Area A "Evolution and Climate" invites applications for the position of a

Postdoctoral Researcher "Plant Biogeography/Molecular Clocks"
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The Department of Systematics, Evolution and Climate Change, lead by Prof. Alexandra N. Muellner (http://www.bik-f.de/root/index.php?page_id=262), is seeking a botanist with a research focus on plant evolution and historical biogeography. The successful applicant is expected to develop an extramurally funded research program, as well as collaborating with other staff members. The position entails basic teaching obligations.

Applicants should hold a Ph.D. in Botany or in another relevant subject and have a solid publication record. Preference will be given to applicants with skills in at least one of the following areas: historical biogeography, molecular clocks, ecological phylogenetics, evolutionary ecology. Competence in general biostatistical methods and knowledge of the Central European flora are an advantage. Excellent written and oral communication skills in English and the interest in joining a multidisciplinary team are required.

Salary and benefits are according to a public service position in Germany (TV-H E 13).

The Research Centre BiK-F advocates gender equality. Women are therefore strongly encouraged to apply. Equally qualified severely handicapped applicants will be given preference.

The contract shall start as soon as possible and will initially be restricted to three years. The duty station will be Frankfurt am Main, Germany. The employer is the SENCKENBERG GESELLSCHAFT FUER NATURFORSCHUNG.

Please send your application by e-mail attachment (pdf), mentioning the reference of this position (#A29b) and including a letter outlining your suitability for the position, a detailed CV, contact details of 2 referees and a copy of your PhD certificate before 2 March 2011 to: Prof. Dr. Dr. h.c. V. Mosbrugger, Scientific Coordinator Biodiversity and Climate Research Centre, Senckenberganlage 25, D-60325 Frankfurt am Main, Germany. E-mail to Service and Finances: recruiting@senckenberg.de, and cc to alexandra.muellner@senckenberg.de.

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