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The German Centre for Integrative Biodiversity Research (iDiv) Halle-Jena-Leipzig is one of four National Research Centres funded by the German Research Foundation (DFG). Its central mission is to promote theory-driven synthesis and data-driven theory in this emerging field. The concept of iDiv encompasses the detection of biodiversity, understanding its emergence, exploring its consequences for ecosystem functions and services, and developing strategies to safeguard biodiversity under global change. It is located in the city of Leipzig and it's a central institution of the Leipzig University, jointly hosted by the Martin-Luther-University Halle-Wittenberg, the Friedrich Schiller University Jena and the Helmholtz Centre for Environmental Research (UFZ). Furthermore, it gains support by the Max Planck Society, the Leibniz Association and the Free State of Saxony. More Information about iDiv: www.idiv.de. The **Evolution & Adaptation** research group focuses on the interchange between (macro-) ecology and evolution, to understand the global distribution of genetic, taxonomic and functional diversity. We therefore generate genetic (genomic) data (e.g. from plants from Madagascar), and build databases of biodiversity data (such as functional traits) to investigate the link between genes and phenotype. Understanding these links is important for predicting how adaptable biodiversity is to current and future global change.

Integrated in iDiv, the Leipzig University, offers the following position in our new Evolution and Adaptation Research Group as soon as possible:

Biological-Technical Assistant
(initially limited until 30. September 2020)
Salary: Entgeltgruppe 6 TV-L

Job description:

- Combining (botanical) data sources (such as monographs and floras) to build databases for biodiversity data (using Access or SQL)
- Measuring functional plant traits from herbaria or fresh sample material
- General laboratory organization (incl. setting up a new laboratory) and laboratory maintenance
- Planning and conducting molecular and cell biology experiments
- Analysis of generated data and preparation of suitable presentations

Requirements:

- successful professional qualification as Biological-Technical Assistant or an equivalent degree
- hands-on experience in molecular and cell biology techniques (DNA/RNA isolation, PCR, real-time PCR, cloning) would be preferable
- experience in building databases would be preferable
- very good computer skills (MS Windows, MS Office etc.)
- good spoken and written English skills
- strong team-player, but can also work independently
- very good work organization and reliability
- experienced to work in interdisciplinary and international teams

Applications with the usual documents are preferred in English and are accepted with reference file number **134/2018 until July 9, 2018** via our application portal under apply.idiv.de. We prefer applications via our application portal, hard copy applications can be sent to:

Deutsches Zentrum für integrative Biodiversitätsforschung (iDiv) Halle-Jena-Leipzig
Personalabteilung
Deutscher Platz 5e, 04103 Leipzig

Questions concerning our application process can be sent to: hr@idiv.de.

Applying via email is questionable under data protection law. The sender assumes full responsibility.

Severely disabled persons are encouraged to apply and will be given preference in the case of equal suitability.

By sending us your application documents you consent to the processing of the data contained within for the purpose of the selection process for the advertised position. You can revoke your consent at any time. The processing takes place exclusively for this selection process and is carried out on the basis of Article 6 of the GDPR (General Data Protection Regulation). This

includes passing on data to the members of the selection committee, the HR office, the Commissioner for Equal Opportunities, the Representative Body for Severely Disabled Employees and the Staff Council as part of their organizational or legal responsibilities. Your data will be stored for a maximum of 6 months following completion of the selection process and subsequently deleted.

In accordance with the GDPR you have the right to receive information from the recipient of the application about your personal data, the right to correction, deletion or restriction of processing, as well as a right to object to processing.

If you have any questions, please contact the Leipzig University data protection officer (Mr Thomas Braatz, Augustusplatz 10, 04109 Leipzig, tel.: 03419730081).