

6th Regular iDiv flexpool call

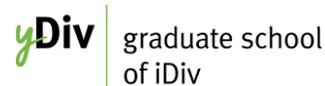
The **German Centre for Integrative Biodiversity Research (iDiv) Halle-Jena-Leipzig** invites applications to **5 doctoral researcher positions from spring 2021 onwards** for candidates who have a strong background in integrative biodiversity research and are keen to develop scientific networks. They will play a vital part in enhancing iDiv's scientific strategy and sharpening the research profile of iDiv in key thematic areas.

iDiv is a national research centre funded by the DFG (Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft). It is located in the City of Leipzig and it is a central institution of Leipzig University, jointly hosted by the Martin Luther University Halle-Wittenberg, the Friedrich-Schiller-University Jena and the Helmholtz Centre for Environmental Research (UFZ). The scientific consortium is further enhanced by the expertise of other research institutions, including several Max Planck Society institutes and the Leibniz Association. More information about iDiv: www.idiv.de.

Specifically, iDiv offers the following positions, which are detailed on:

www.idiv.de/about_idiv/career

- **Project 1**
"Epigenetic factors as molecular drivers of microbial biodiversity"
Professor Holger B. Deising (MLU Halle)
- **Project 2**
"Harnessing the power of RADseq data to achieve a more mechanistic understanding of rapid evolution"
Professor Isabell Hensen (MLU Halle)
- **Project 3**
"iSPOT – Spatial scaling of Porphyry Outcrop Trends"
Dr Ute Jandt (MLU Halle)
- **Project 4**
"DeForESG – Deforestation explained by social-ecological dynamics and governance shifts"
Professor Josef Settele (UFZ Leipzig)
- **Project 5**
"Causal Reasoning and Deep Learning for Understanding Changes in the Soil-Plant-Climate Interactions"
Professor Joachim Denzler (FSU Jena)



We offer

- Work in a dynamic, international and interdisciplinary environment
- Opportunities to develop and advance scientific networks
- Cutting edge research in modern facilities
- Doctoral researchers at iDiv benefit from an inter- and transdisciplinary training and support by the yDiv graduate school
- Attractive benefits, e.g. contributions to capital formation, job-ticket for public transport, company pension scheme (VBL)
- Family-friendly working environment with flexible working hours
- Salary in accordance with the German public service salary scale (up to TV-L/TVöD Bund E13, 65% employment)

We seek

Highly motivated scientists with a strong interest to participate in sharpening the iDiv research profile. German skills are not a prerequisite for all positions, but very good command of English is necessary. Applicants must hold a Master degree or equivalent in a relevant field. The employment contract is initially limited until 30 September 2021. An extension for further 2.5–3 years is possible and dependent upon successful renewal of DFG funding for iDiv (evaluation in spring 2021).

Kindly send your application via our application portal under <https://apply.idiv.de>. We prefer applications via our application portal, hard copy applications can be sent to: German Centre for Integrative Biodiversity Research (iDiv) Halle-Jena-Leipzig, Dr Christa Genz, Puschstrasse 4, 04103 Leipzig. It is possible to apply for several projects.

Applications should include

- Cover letter in English describing motivation for the project, research interests and relevant experience
- Complete curriculum vitae including names and contact details of at least two scientific references
- Digital copy of master certificate or equivalent

Submission deadline is 27 January 2021. Selected candidates will be invited to the online iDiv flexpool recruitment symposium on 23/24 February 2021.

For queries on the application process, please contact Mrs. Christa Genz (christa.genz@idiv.de); for project-related questions, kindly contact the relevant project leader.

Severely disabled persons are encouraged to apply and will be given preference in case of equal suitability. Applying via e-mail is questionable under data protection law. The sender assumes full responsibility.

iDiv is committed to establishing and maintaining a diverse and inclusive community that collectively supports and implements our mission to do great science. We will welcome, recruit, develop, and advance talented staff from diverse genders and backgrounds.