

The Institute of Geography, Department of Landscape Ecology at the Georg-August-University of Göttingen – subject to final authorization by BMBF – is offering a

Postdoctoral Position in Scientific Management

The position should be filled by 1st of June, 2011. The full time position (39.8 h/week) is available for three years with an option of a 24 months prolongation. The salary is defined according to the German E 13 TV-L scale.

The successful applicant will coordinate and administrate multidisciplinary research of the German-Brazilian BMBF funded collaborative research project “carbiocial” (see: www.uni-goettingen.de/carbiocial).

Managerial functions are:

- Coordination of carbiocial in close accordance with the management board and coordinator
- Promote scientific communication between subprojects and develop interdisciplinary project compilations for stakeholder use; controlling of required deliveries and milestones to be made by individual subprojects
- Administration of funds allocated to the University of Göttingen (SP Z+01+02.2)
- Supporting the carbiocial members in Germany in technical and organizational matters
- Devising and organizing central workshops and symposia; preparing administration meetings including Brazilian counterparts at different levels (management board, scientific advisory board, workshops)
- Communicating with relevant institutions and organizations in Germany and Brazil (administrative, scientific development) and to accomplish the general and foreign correspondence
- Representing carbiocial vis-à-vis BMBF, CNPq, Embrapa, Brazilian partner universities, private stakeholders and NGO's
- Editorial activities including assistance to scientific publications, reports and proposals. Public relations work

Essential criteria: Excellent level of English (English language communication) and good level in Portuguese (written and spoken), excellent presentation skills, capability to work task-orientated, responsible and self-sufficiently, ability to survey and control co-workers in completing task and delivering results (reporting, milestones); strong interdisciplinary and intercultural communication qualities and to demonstrate initiative.

We seek a candidate with an excellent PhD-degree in environmental sciences and related fields (geography, ecology, agronomy, land use change modelling) with personal experience in project management and bi-national project work.

The successful candidate will be based in Göttingen, Germany, and become member of an international research team. The position involves extended travels to project sites in Brazil and international partners and organizations. More information can be found at www.uni-goettingen.de/carbiocial under subproject Z.

Applications including a letter of motivation, copies of relevant publications, and the names and contact details for two references shall be sent **by 10th of May, 2011** (also in electronic form – single PDF file) to Georg-August-Universität Göttingen, Institute of Geography, Department of Landscape Ecology, Prof. Dr. Gerhard Gerold, Goldschmidtstr. 5, D-37077

Göttingen, E-Mail (ggerold@gwdg.de) - subject: Postdoc carbiocial SP-Z. Review of applications will begin on 10th of May, 2011, but applications will be accepted until a suitable candidate is identified. Only shortlisted candidates will be contacted.

If you have any questions, please contact Mr Prof. Dr. Gerhard Gerold (telephone: +49 551 398011, E-Mail: ggerold@gwdg.de).

We request that you send us copies of your application documents. We will destroy the documents after a holding period of five months. Application documents will only be returned to you if you provide a self-addressed adequately stamped envelope.

Scientists of all nationalities are welcome to apply. The Georg-August-University of Göttingen is an equal opportunities employer and places particular emphasis on fostering career opportunities for female scientists and scholars. Qualified women are therefore strongly encouraged to apply. Disabled persons with equivalent aptitude for the position will be favoured. The university ranks among the top research institutions in the country.