



PhD Position in Insect Ecology

A PhD position (65 % E 13 TVL) to study **the role of short-term and long-term effects of sublethal insecticide concentrations on the performance and behaviour of insects** is available in the group of Chemical Ecology (Biology) at **Bielefeld University**, starting November 1st 2018 or soon thereafter. The candidate will investigate this topic using bioassays, behavioural, chemical ecological and analytical approaches. Apart from research (70 %), the candidate will also be involved in teaching (25 %) and organisation of the department (5 %). The position is available for three years.

We are seeking a bright and highly motivated PhD student with a keen interest in entomology and chemical ecology. A master or diploma in biology, environmental sciences or a related topic is a prerequisite. Knowledge in experiments with insects as well as a solid experience in statistics are required. Knowledge of chemical analytical techniques (GC-MS) and multivariate statistics (preferably with R!) would be ideal. The candidate should be able to work both independently and as member of a team. Fluent verbal and written English communication skills are required.

Bielefeld is a city of 325,000 inhabitants with all expected amenities and easy access to the Teutoburger Wald for hiking and other outdoor pursuits. It offers a high standard of living and is well connected to most major European cities. Bielefeld University is an equal opportunity employer. We particularly welcome applications from women and handicapped people. Given equal suitability, qualifications and professional achievement, women or handicapped people will be given preference, unless particular circumstances apply.

To apply, please provide (i) a letter of motivation for this position including a statement of your research experience, (ii) a CV including publication list, (iii) copies of your degrees and (iv) names and contact details of two referees willing to write confidential letters of recommendation. **All materials should be emailed as a single PDF file to caroline.mueller@uni-bielefeld.de.**

The **application deadline is August 30, 2018**, and interviews will take place shortly thereafter. The preferred start date is November 2018 but is flexible. For further information on the Department, please see [https://www.uni-bielefeld.de/\(en\)/biologie/ChemOekologie/](https://www.uni-bielefeld.de/(en)/biologie/ChemOekologie/) or contact Caroline Müller (caroline.mueller@uni-bielefeld.de) with any informal inquiries.