The division of Agricultural Entomology invites applications for the position of a

Postdoctoral Researcher (f/m/d) in Agricultural Entomology /Applied Chemical and Molecular Ecology

This is a 3-year position with a possible extension of 3 years. The salary is in accordance with the German public service salary scale (TVL-E13, full time) with 39.8 working hours per week.

We are seeking to employ a highly motivated, creative and productive person with a passion for insects and agriculture who will contribute to finding sustainable solutions in crop protection through basic and applied research in biological control and chemical ecology. Current focus of the group is on exploring mechanisms of plant-fungus-insect interactions, the role of volatile compounds as ecological signals and the ecology of invasive insects.

Preference is given to candidates with research experience in insect behaviour and phytopathology, including endophytes; fieldwork experience is an asset. The successful candidate should have hands-on experience in analytical chemistry and/or molecular biology techniques. Very good English communication skills are mandatory. Further requirements for application are a PhD in biology, agriculture or chemistry and a good research record as demonstrated by publications in international peer-reviewed journals. Previous postdoc experience would be desirable but is not mandatory.

We offer a stimulating interdisciplinary environment with new labs, access to research fields as well as active collaborations and exchange with national and international partners within and outside academia. The development of own research projects and qualification with regard to a scientific career (Habilitation = German professorial thesis) will be encouraged.

The position comes with a teaching requirement of 4 hours per week during the semester and the candidate is expected to supervise undergraduate as well as graduate students. Teaching will be held in German and/or English, depending on the candidate’s language skills. Furthermore, we expect the successful candidate to apply for third party funding.

The University of Göttingen is an equal opportunities employer and places particular emphasis on fostering career opportunities for women. Qualified women are therefore strongly encouraged to apply in fields in which they are underrepresented. The university has committed itself to being a family-friendly institution and supports their employees in balancing work and family life. The mission of the University is to employ a greater number of severely disabled persons. Applications from severely disabled persons with equivalent qualifications will be given preference.

To apply, please provide (1) a letter of motivation including a statement of your research experience, (2) a CV including publication list, (3) copies of your degrees and (4) contact details of two referees willing to write confidential letters of recommendation upon request. Documents must be sent by e-mail as single PDF file to https://lotus2.gwdg.de/uni/uzdv/perso/knr_100547.nsf

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Application deadline: 14.06.2019
Please note:

With submission of your application, you accept the processing of your applicant data in terms of data-protection law. Further information on the legal basis and data usage is provided in the Information General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR).