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Scientist (m/f/d) in the field of 3D remote sensing (with an emphasis on terrestrial laser scanning) and biodiversity research

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The Remote Sensing Centre for Earth System Research (www.rsc4earth.de, Remote Sensing in Geo- and Ecosystem Research group at the Institute for Geophysics and Geology) at the Faculty of Physics and Earth Sciences seeks to fill the above position at the earliest opportunity.

About the position

Fixed term of 3 years

100 % of a full-time position

Planned remuneration: salary group E 13 TV-L

Duties

Independent research as part of an interdisciplinary team in support of the Remote Sensing Centre and in collaboration with colleagues in meteorology and biodiversity science

Acquisition and processing of 3D remote sensing data of forest and grassland ecosystems with terrestrial laser scanning (TLS and drone-based structure from motion) techniques in the framework of the University and iDiv research infrastructure including the Canopy Crane Facility and the MyDiv diversity experiment.

Statistical analysis of 3D remote sensing data in combination with field measurements for research on biodiversity-climate interactions

Spatiotemporal analysis of ecosystems in the context of climate change and climate-biodiversity interactions

Regularly write high-quality research articles for high-impact journals, book chapters, and reviews

Present papers at conferences, and lead seminars to disseminate research findings

Provide academic supervision for research students.

Requirements

PhD in earth and environmental sciences, ecology, forestry, geomatics or a related topic

Experience in the acquisition and processing of TLS data in forest and/or grassland ecosystems

Experience in field sampling of structural vegetation data, (statistical) analysis of 3D structural ecosystem properties, remote sensing, and/or other 3D remote sensing techniques such as UAS-based SfM

Ability to work in local to international collaborative projects

Capacity for interdisciplinary collaboration (specifically meteorology and biodiversity science)

Very good command of data analysis and programming languages (e.g. R, python)

English language skills.

What we offer

A modern workplace and attractive working conditions (mobile working)

Flexible working hours and work-life balance

Goal-oriented staff development throughout your working life, with opportunities for continuing professional development

Pension plan

Commuter pass for the MDV network.

Specific questions should be addressed to Professor Hannes Feilhauer (hannes.feilhauer@unileipzig.de). Please send your application, **preferably by email as a single PDF file**, with the usual documents (CV, list of publications, certificates, motivation letter) quoting reference number

324/2021, by **22 December 2021** to: dekan@physik.uni-leipzig.de or to Leipzig University, Dean of the Faculty of Physics and Earth Sciences, Professor Christoph Jacobi, Linnéstraße 5, 04103 Leipzig.

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