**Job Advertisement**

The Institute of Avian Research “Vogelwarte Helgoland” (IAR) currently has a vacancy at the Wilhelmshaven location for a permanent

**Technical Assistant (m/f/d) (50 % E9a TV-L)**

with half of the regular working hours. The position is available from February 1, 2024, but the exact start date is flexible.

The Institute of Avian Research "Vogelwarte Helgoland" (IAR) is a non-university research institution belonging to the Lower Saxony Ministry of Science and Culture. The IAR conducts basic research and deals with the magnitude of relationships between birds and their environment. Guiding themes of the scientific work are bird migration research and the biology of life history. The IAR also houses the bird ringing scheme for northwestern Germany.

**Your Tasks:**
- Performing various methods in molecular biology
- Sample preparation for stable isotope analyses
- Organizational tasks, laboratory organization and general laboratory activities
- Helping out in the animal care facilities

**Your qualifications:**
- Successfully completed training as a BTA/MTA, biology laboratory technician or comparable qualification
- Previous experience in a research laboratory is a bonus
- In-depth knowledge and practical experience in current molecular biological techniques (especially DNA/RNA isolation, PCR, qPCR, gel electrophoresis)
- Ability to independently plan, coordinate and document the above mentioned techniques in workflows
- Computer skills, e.g. Microsoft Office (especially Excel, Word)
- Good knowledge of German and English
- Flexibility, sense of responsibility and independence as well as the willingness to contribute to and work within an international team
- Enjoyment and competence in laboratory organization and training of new laboratory members

Salary will be according to TV-L 9a (50 %), including all usual benefits of the public service.

The Institute of Avian Research is an equal opportunity employer, committed to inclusion and diversity and welcomes applications from people from all groups and backgrounds. In addition, the Institute is committed to (i) increase the proportion of women in successful scientific careers (§11 of the Niedersächsisches Gleichberechtigungsgesetz), (ii) promote the equality of (severely) disabled and
non-disabled people, and (iii) provide opportunities for people with a migration background. As such, it especially welcomes applications from female scientists, (severely) disabled scientists and immigrated scientists. In case of equal suitability and qualifications, these applications will be given preference. In case of equal suitability, qualification and professional performance, applications from disabled persons will be given preferential consideration in accordance with the relevant regulations. In order to protect their interests, a disability or equal status must already be included in the letter of application or the resume.

Please send applications as one combined PDF document to poststelle@ifv-vogelwarte.de by 20. October 2023.

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Interviews are scheduled for 8. and 9. November 2023.

Note: Unfortunately, application costs cannot be reimbursed. Application documents will be destroyed four weeks after the conclusion of the hiring process. For more information on data protection in the application process, please visit https://ifv-vogelwarte.de/generische-navigation/datenschutz.