

Announcement of a scientific staff position at the Department of Geology and Paleontology, Natural History Museum Vienna

This full-time position (40 hours) comprises the scientific management/curatorship of the micropaleontological collection of the Geological-Paleontological Department, at the Natural History Museum Vienna.

Requirements

- doctoral degree (PhD) in a relevant area of the geosciences (preferably paleontology, stratigraphy, paleoecology);
- several years of post-doc experience in micropaleontological research, preferably with focus on foraminifera and the Cenozoic and/or Mesozoic eras;
- scientific publications in international peer reviewed journals, in the relevant fields of the geosciences; and documentation of research activities (in relevant projects);
- knowledge of classical and modern methods in micropaleontology;
- curatorial experience concerning scientific geoscience collections;
- willingness to participate/support didactic projects and exhibitions;
- excellent knowledge of German language, very good knowledge of English, both in reading, writing, and speaking;
- ability to work in a team.

Experiences and skills relevant for the position

- successful acquisition and leadership of externally funded relevant research projects;
- experience in communication of scientific topics to the scientific community and to the public/media;
- good IT (computing) knowledge, including experience with databases.

Duties

Research

- planning and realization of research projects concerning micropaleontology and stratigraphy;
- raising external funding for such research projects;
- presentation of research at international congresses and workshops;
- publication of results in international scientific journals.

Curatorship

- curating the relevant collections of the Natural History Museum, including management, administration and updating of the collection;
- international curatorial cooperation;
- improvement of the database.

Education and Public Relations

- support of the educational role of the museum (exhibitions, popular science publications, presentations, guided tours; answering relevant requests of students and laypersons) in collaboration with the Department of Exhibition and Education of the NHM;
- cooperation with media and institutions of education (publications, presentations, interviews, advice and projects) in consultation with the Department of Communication and Media of the NHM.

Salary

According to the FWF standard personnel costs and salaries (postdoc):
<https://www.fwf.ac.at/en/research-funding/personnel-costs/>

Applications must include:

- CV (including publication list, separated in international peer-reviewed scientific papers and other publications);
- letter of application and motivation, specifying qualifications according to the announcement;
- name and address of at least two (independent) colleagues who can, upon request, prepare reference letters.

Applications via postal mail or e-mail (preferably in German, English is accepted, but see the requirement of demonstrated excellent knowledge of German; in the form of a *single* PDF document) must be received no later than September 30, 2019 at the general director's office of the Natural History Museum Vienna; Burgring 7; 1010 Wien, Austria; generaldirektion@nhm-wien.ac.at