

Senior Postdoctoral Position in Community Ecology (m/f/d)

The Technical University of Munich (TUM) is one of the best universities in Europe. It is characterized by excellence in research and teaching, interdisciplinarity, and talent development. The Terrestrial Ecology Research Group is part of the Department of Life Science Systems in the TUM School of Life Sciences and is based in Freising, Germany. We do fundamental research on how human land-use affects biodiversity, in grasslands, forests, and increasingly in urban ecosystems. To strengthen our team, we are looking for a Senior Postdoc starting 01.08.2026 (m/f/d) - (TV-L E13).

Your responsibilities:

- Developing and conducting ecological research projects
- Writing applications for third-party funding
- Teaching in English and/or German, in courses on conservation and ecology. Teaching requirements are according to the Bavarian University Law (5 hours/week).
- Support of administrative duties in the research group

Your qualifications:

- M.Sc. in Biology, Ecology or a related field
- Ph.D. in Ecology or another relevant area
- Strong track record in Community Ecology
- Interest in Urban Ecology welcome
- Familiarity with the natural history of a particular animal taxon (e.g. insects or birds) welcome
- Very good oral and written communication skills in English. German is of advantage
- Ability to work in a team

Our offer

- A full-time position initially for 3 years that can be extended for another 3 years.
- A dynamic working environment in a success-oriented team
- Participation in existing research projects in grassland, forest and urban ecosystems
- Participation in TUM career development programs
- Employment with appropriate remuneration according to the collective agreement for the public service of the federal states (TV-L E13)

TUM strives to raise the proportion of women in its workforce and explicitly encourages applications from qualified women. Severely disabled applicants will be given preference in the event of equal suitability, ability and professional performance.

How to apply and further information

Applications should be sent as a single pdf file to toek@ls.tum.de (preferred), or via postal mail to Prof. Wolfgang W. Weisser, Technische Universität München, Lehrstuhl für Terrestrische Ökologie, Hans-Carl-von-Carlowitz-Platz 2, D-85354 Freising, Germany. Applications should include a cover letter, a short statement of past and future research interests, a Curriculum Vitae

including a list of publications, and names and email-addresses of two references, in a single pdf document.

Information about the research carried out in the Terrestrial Ecology Research Group can be found under toek.ls.tum.de. Please contact Wolfgang Weisser for further information about the position (wolfgang.weisser@tum.de, ++49 8161 71 3495). People with a strong track record in Ecology, but with a profile that differs from the one outlined in the qualifications section are also encouraged to apply or make pre-application enquiries.

Deadline of applications is **10. May 2026**.

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