

**The European Forest Institute and
the Forest Research Institute of Baden-Württemberg
are now seeking a
HEAD OF OFFICE
for the EFI Central European Regional Office - EFICIENT**

The European Forest Institute (EFI) is an international organisation established by European States. EFI undertakes forest research and policy support at pan-European and global levels. It is actively enhancing its regional presence and capacity to respond to regional research and policy needs by establishing Regional Offices in selected European locations. Regional Offices serve as platforms for implementing EFI Strategy and also follow the goals and principles of the European Research Area.

The Forest Research Institute of Baden-Württemberg (FVA) is hosting a Regional Office EFICIENT at its premises in Freiburg, Germany. In collaboration with EFI, FVA herewith invites applications for the position of the Head of Office. This position offers a challenging opportunity to work within a stimulating international environment in a senior position. The Head of Office will work in close cooperation with the EFI Management Team, other EFI Regional Offices as well as the partners of the EFICIENT Regional Office.

The post will involve in particular:

- Managing and developing the Regional Office (RO);
- Strengthening and coordinating the EFI regional network and maximizing synergies in forest research with Nancy-Freiburg-Zurich Forest Network (NFZ.forestnet) as well as other relevant organisations in the region;
- Developing fundraising opportunities with different donors to implement forest research, networking and policy support activities according to EFI's strategy, with the involvement of network members;
- Promoting and coordinating interdisciplinary projects, studies and activities on the specific topics agreed, as well as on new topics as requested by the regional network; and
- Ensuring a regular flow of information on progress, operations and strategic development of the RO to EFI management and other units.

Qualifications:

- At least five years of experience in coordinating international research projects, networks and initiatives to enhance the science-policy-practice dialogue;
- Excellent research coordination, networking, communication and managerial skills;
- A PhD in forest sciences or related discipline;
- Fluency in English. Good knowledge of German and French is an asset.

Employment conditions and duty station:

The successful candidate will be employed by FVA and will be based at the Regional Office EFICIENT, at the premises of FVA, Freiburg, Germany.

The successful candidate will be expected to take up the post in early 2015. Fixed term contract until end of 2019.

Interested candidates who meet the qualification requirements are requested to submit their cover letter with a curriculum vitae by **January 31, 2015** to: Director Prof. Konstantin von Teuffel, Forstliche Versuchs- und Forschungsanstalt Baden-Württemberg, Wonnhaldestr. 4, 79100 Freiburg, Germany

For more information about the position, please contact Dr. Robert Mavsar, EFI Head of Programme, e-mail: robert.mavsar@efi.int. For employment related questions, please contact Mr. Joachim Kerrmann, FVA Head of Administration, e-mail: joachim.kerrmann@forst.bwl.de.

All applications will be handled confidentially.

Striving for a higher ratio of women amongst the employees, submissions from female applicants are explicitly encouraged. In principle, the full-time position may be split into two or more part-time positions, provided that there are no bureaucratic or legal obstacles.

Preference will be given to severely disabled applicants in the case of equal qualifications.

Further information about the organisations are available on their websites www.efi.int or www.fva-bw.de