
The International Plant Phenotyping Network e.V. (IPPN e.V.) is offering a position of an:

Scientist for the development of international cooperation in plant phenotyping and head of the IPPN management office

Who are we and what do we do?

Plants are essential for addressing future grand challenges, such as the supply of food and feed, the scarcity of resources and raw materials, as well as climate and energy problems. In this context, the quantitative analysis of structural and functional plant characteristics - phenotyping - is crucial for the applied use of plants (e.g. in breeding programs) and for basic research.

IPPN supports cooperation and communication between academia and industry in plant phenotyping worldwide. Through increased communication and cooperation between leading international players in plant phenotyping, synergies are to be leveraged and potential bottlenecks identified. The working groups of the IPPN develop internationally coordinated concepts and novel approaches in central thematic areas of this dynamically developing key technology. IPPN also aims to increase the visibility of plant phenotyping among decision-makers and the public. IPPN conducts workshops and symposia, forms thematic working groups, conducts training courses and promotes communication between actors from academia, industry and the public.

The office is located at the:

Research Centre Jülich GmbH
IBG-2: Plant Sciences
52425 Jülich, Germany

What do we offer?

- interesting and responsible tasks requiring your creativity
- you work directly with the honorary board of directors
- initially, temporary employment for three years with the possibility of a longer-term perspective
- full-time employment
- salary and social benefits in conformity with the provisions of the Collective Agreement for the Civil Service (TVöD)
- start of work at earliest possible date

Duties of the Executive Secretary

- coordination and prioritization of tasks within the association in close consultation/coordination with the Executive Board
- active involvement in the strategy development of the association

- facilitation, support and cooperation with the thematic working groups and establishment of new working groups
- planning and implementation of events such as symposia, workshops, training courses, etc.
- responsibility for the communication of the association with different stakeholders as well as website development and maintenance, newsletter management, social media, etc.
- administration of the finances of the association with the support of a law firm, accounting of events and activities of the association of the working groups.
- responsibility for the administration of all members and establishment of demand driven member based evolving organization
- acquisition of new members, sponsors and supporters

What are you bringing?

- university degree in plant sciences or related discipline, a PhD is of advantage
- proven experience in plant phenotyping (essential)
- very good knowledge of written and spoken English
- understanding of business management
- an ability to coordinate complex situations;
- good time management and a high level of responsibility
- a reliable and pragmatic style of communication, both with regard to the members of the association and the board of directors
- willingness to business travels

For questions and suggestions, please contact Dr. Roland Pieruschka: r.pieruschka@fz-juelich.de / +49-2461-611784.

Please send your application documents (letter of motivation, curriculum vitae and references) by e-mail (one PDF, max. 5 MB) by 15 January 2019 to: ippn@fz-juelich.de