

**The European Forest Institute
is now seeking an
Assistant Director for Policy Support**

The European Forest Institute (EFI) is an international organisation with 29 member countries and around 130 associate and affiliate member organisations. EFI undertakes forest research and policy support at pan-European and global level, with headquarters located in Joensuu, Finland. EFI has its other main offices in Barcelona, Bonn and Brussels. The Institute has app. 120 staff members and has an annual turnover of app. 15 million Euros. Further information about the organisation is available at www.efi.int.

EFI is seeking a senior professional with leadership, policy support and international research experience to coordinate EFI's [Policy Support Facility](#).

The Assistant Director's **main areas of responsibility** will be:

- Overall coordination of EFI's policy support activities.
- Leading, fundraising and managing the Policy Support Facility (including [ThinkForest](#) Forum).
- Enhancing the involvement of member countries, member organisations and EFI Units in policy support activities.
- Representing and promoting EFI's participation in relevant policy forums.
- Actively networking and engaging with the media, for example by writing Op-Ed articles.
- Developing and coordinating editorial responsibilities for policy-relevant EFI publications.
- Supervision of EFI policy support facility team members

Qualifications:

- Proven successful international experience in coordinating science-policy support work in the field of natural resources.
- Excellent fundraising, coordination, managerial and international networking experience.
- Excellent communications capacity and experience of working with the media.
- Excellent English skills, knowledge of other European languages is an asset.
- Interest and capability to work across disciplines and sectors.
- PhD in a relevant discipline.

Duty Station

The employee can be based at one of our offices in either Joensuu (Finland), Bonn (Germany), or Barcelona (Spain).

Employment Conditions

The employee will be an EFI staff member. A fixed term appointment of five years with the possibility for an extension. Ideally, the successful candidate should start during the first half of 2021.

This position offers a challenging opportunity to work within a stimulating international environment in one of the Institute's leading positions.

Interested candidates are requested to send (in English) a CV including copies of academic degree certificates/diplomas with a motivation letter by 11th December 2020, using our [online](#) application form.

For more information about the post, please contact Marc Palahí, Director: marc.palahi@efi.int.

EFI is an equal opportunity employer. All applications will be treated confidentially.

Please note that only candidates that have been shortlisted for interview will be contacted.