

**The European Forest Institute  
is seeking a  
Principal Scientist on European Forest Governance  
at  
EFI Bonn Office, Germany**

The European Forest Institute (EFI) is an international organization with 30 member countries and around 120 associate and affiliate member organizations. 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 organization is available at [www.efi.int](http://www.efi.int).

EFI is seeking a Principal Scientist for its [Governance Programme](#) to lead EFI research activities related to European Forest Governance, whilst also providing support for activities related to EFI's [Policy Support Facility](#).

**Key responsibilities will include:**

- Lead and develop EFI's European Forest Governance Team and contribute to the overall development and management of the EFI Governance Programme.
- Contribute to the activities of EFI's Policy Support Facility and Forest Europe Team.
- Fundraise, initiate, and coordinate new research projects.
- Engage in international and national networking.
- Publish research findings in both academic journals and policy and practice-oriented media.
- Communicate with donors, stakeholders and media.
- Network within EFI member organizations and other stakeholders.

**Qualifications:**

- PhD degree in relevant field
- At least 8 years of relevant work experience; own research/experience with forest policy outside Europe is an advantage.
- Ability to lead, manage and motivate an international research team.
- Proven record in fundraising, in particular EC/EU funded projects
- Experience of initiating and leading interdisciplinary and international research consortia.
- Experience of policy support activities and stakeholder engagement.
- Established track-record of publishing in peer-reviewed scientific journals.
- Strong project management skills.
- Excellent communications and presentation skills.
- Excellent spoken and written skills in English are essential.

**Duty station**

The employee will be based at the EFI's Office in Bonn, Germany

**Employment conditions**

EFI offers competitive benefits and salary package. This is a fixed term appointment of five years with the possibility for an extension.

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

Interested candidates are requested to send (in English) a CV including copies of academic degree certificates with a motivation letter by **29th August 2022**, using our [online](#) application form.

For more information about the post, please contact Bernhard Wolfslehner, Head of Governance Programme at: [bernhard.wolfslehner@efi.int](mailto:bernhard.wolfslehner@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.