## Conservation of Forest Biodiversity in Multiple-Use Landscapes of Central Europe ConFoBi

The DFG- funded Research Training Group **ConFoBi** "Conservation of Forest Biodiversity in Multipleuse Landscapes of Central Europe" (RTG 2123) invites applications for

## 12 Ph.D. positions

(salary scale TV-L E13, 65%; including social benefits) for a three-year structured Ph.D. programme. The Research Training Group is based at the University of Freiburg, Germany (<a href="www.uni-freiburg.de">www.uni-freiburg.de</a>) and positions will start at the 1.7.2016.

The Research Training Group ConFoBi offers an inter- and transdisciplinary biodiversity research and qualification programme which draws its novelty from the combination of multi-scale ecological studies on forest biodiversity with social and economic studies of biodiversity conservation (for more details see <a href="https://www.confobi.uni-freiburg.de">www.confobi.uni-freiburg.de</a>).

## Requirements:

We invite applications from highly motivated candidates who have a background in at least one of the scientific disciplines represented in this Research Training Group. These comprise These comprise Wildlife Ecology, Conservation Genetics, Functional Biodiversity Research, Vegetation Ecology, Silviculture, Remote Sensing, Forest Policy, Environmental Governance, Forest Economics, Environmental Systems Analysis. A strong interest in interdisciplinary research and the willingness to engage in scientific exchange with other disciplines is essential. Successful applicants will (1) hold a M.Sc. degree (or equivalent) in a relevant discipline, (2) have experience with methods and/or organisms relevant to the Research Training Group, (3) very good statistical and analytical skills (4) excellent English language skills, and (5) will be motivated to join and actively contribute to an interand transdisciplinary research training environment.

## **Applications:**

Detailed information on the application process and the research topics with their specific tasks are available at <a href="www.confobi.uni-freiburg.de">www.confobi.uni-freiburg.de</a>. Candidates are required to indicate their preferred project and explain their motivation for choosing it. Interviews will take place at Freiburg between late February and mid March 2016.

Please send your application in electronic form by 17.1.2016 to <a href="mailto:confobi@uni-freiburg.de">confobi@uni-freiburg.de</a> as a single pdf document. For further information please contact <a href="mailto:confobi@uni-freiburg.de">confobi@uni-freiburg.de</a>.

