



Institute for Advanced Sustainability Studies e.V.

The Institute for Advanced Sustainability Studies e.V. (IASS) is an international, interdisciplinary center of excellence located in Potsdam, Germany. The IASS is financed by the Federal Ministry of Education and Research and the Federal State of Brandenburg and devoted to promoting science and research for global sustainability, particularly in the areas of climate change, the earth system and the development of new technologies and social pathways to sustainability. Further information about the IASS can be accessed under www.iass-potsdam.de/en as well as <http://www.iass-potsdam.de/de/node/1736>.

At the earliest date possible we are looking for a

Research Assistant (Outreach) m/f
for the research programme
„Air Quality in the Context of Global Change“
(Ref. No. AQGC-2016-01)

The successful candidate will work on the development of outreach materials for education about air quality and climate change. One of the main projects that this position would be focused on is the transdisciplinary development of a teaching/outreach module around the short, animated film 'Outlaws in Air City' created previously by the IASS (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=I19M2FcfSzQ>). The IASS regularly participates in local outreach events, such as the Schülerakademie hosted by proWissen Potsdam, or the annual Potsdamer Umweltfest, where such a module would be used. Beyond the local activities, which fall under the ClimPol project (Short-lived Climate-forcing Pollutants – Research Needs and Pathways to Policy Implementation), part of the time would be allocated to assist in the development and facilitation of outreach activities in the SusKat project (Sustainable Atmosphere for the Kathmandu Valley). In all cases the goal is to showcase the work of the IASS through awareness raising and education activities covering the issues and science of air pollution and climate change with target audiences including the public and school classes. In addition to the project outlined above there is the possibility for development of additional activities or outreach modules.

The following qualifications are requested for applicants:

- A background in teaching science and/or a Bachelor's or Master's degree in an Earth science related field or an environmental art related field,
- Experience working in schools or other outreach activities and/or science communication,
- Basic knowledge of air pollution and climate change science; any more in depth knowledge would be an advantage,
- Fluency in written and spoken German and English,
- Ability to work independently or as part of team.

The position is to be filled as soon as possible and is limited until 31 December 2016 with the possibility of extension. If applicable, the successful candidate is expected to develop a detailed PhD project plan within the first six months, which will then be evaluated as to its suitability for the tasks as outlined above.

The remuneration will be according to the German public service federal employment system (TVöD Bund E12). Place of work is Potsdam, Germany.

Are you interested in joining a dedicated, exciting team in a strongly transdisciplinary environment? Then please send us an application including a statement of scientific background, interests and plans, a curriculum vitae, teaching or outreach experience, and names of 2-3 references, either in hard copy or by e-mail to: tanja.baines@iass-potsdam.de or to „Institute for Advanced Sustainability Studies e.V.“, Tanja Baines, Berliner Str. 130, 14467 Potsdam, Germany.

Deadline for application: **31. January 2016**

Applicants with disabilities will be given preference in case of equal qualifications.