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Job description:

Research Associate (f/m/d) for Sustainable Building Materials, Research & Knowledge Transfer

We have the following position to fill in the natureplus office:

Field of expertise:	Sustainable building materials, research & knowledge transfer
Start:	1 November 2021
Employment:	Permanent part-time at 75 percent (30 hours / week).
Remuneration:	Oriented to TVÖD E13
Place of work:	Neckargemünd and home office (flexible by arrangement)

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About us

natureplus is the contact point for all those who want to create a better built environment. As a nonprofit association we are committed to the transformation of the building sector towards climate-protecting, resource-saving and healthy building and living – that requires sustainable building materials and construction methods.

To achieve this goal, natureplus is active throughout Europe and brings together organisations, people and expertise across the entire building sector. With our expertise, we intervene in the scientific and political discussion, promote the acceptance and facilitation of sustainable building materials, and communicate specialist knowledge internationally. We offer consumers and building professionals clear orientation with the established natureplus eco-label for building products. It is based on strict, comprehensive sustainability criteria developed in our independent network. The association communicates in many languages, openly and transparently.

Your tasks

We are looking for an energetic research associate, who will be in charge of the implementation of two funded projects. Further, he/she will design and implement our training activities, and will be responsible for the knowledge management of the association and will support the colleagues in customer contact and in the operative day-to-day business. The new employee is the interface to the association's internal criteria commission, to relevant institutions of (sustainable) construction such as building certifiers, the construction & real estate industry, municipalities and manufacturers, as well as for the architecture scene.

The *research project Sustainable Supply Chains* (start October 2021, within the framework of the BBSR-Zukunft Bau funding) aims to develop ecological and social criteria and sustainability standards for material flows in the building materials sector and to make them comparable. The tasks include the administration and implementation of the project, comprehensive research in the team and the guidance of a close, coordinated and conference-based exchange with actors and experts in the field. The *project Baustoffwende* (since May 2021, within the framework of UBA's funding of associations) is dedicated to target-group-oriented further education and training as well as the broadly effective dissemination of knowledge via innovative channels within and outside Germany. The new staff member will provide support in this area. Overall, the core tasks are as follows:



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- You are responsible for the conception, implementation and development of our training courses for climate- & resource-conserving and healthy living construction.
- As part of the team, you maintain and develop existing & innovative instruments for the dissemination & anchoring of sustainable building material criteria & the eco-label.
- You promote networking & exchange between the association and the building scene.
- You will be responsible for the implementation and administrative support of the research project, including budget management and coordination with the funding body.
- You conduct scientific research on sustainable supply chains and material flows.
- You manage the exchange with relevant actors in the field and organise workshops and expert discussions with stakeholders together with their colleagues.

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Your profile

- You have successfully completed a university degree in the field of architecture, civil engineering or material sciences, additional training in building biology is helpful.
- You have several years of work experience in the field of architecture or project planning.
- You have gained sound knowledge in the topics of sustainable construction and building materials, ideally in a planning environment.
- You ideally have knowledge of supply chains, climate & resource protection with CO2 balances and building regulations.
- You are networked in the construction and architecture scene, experience in customer contact is advantageous.
- You enjoy scientific work and research, getting to grips with complex issues and preparing them in a comprehensible way.
- You have strong communication skills and a confident manner.
- You have an apt way of expressing yourself and a business-fluent knowledge of German and English, both written and spoken.
- You have a meticulous way of working and a quick grasp of things.
- You combine proactive action, strategic thinking, the ability to work in a team and under pressure with good organisational skills, independence and creativity.
- You identify with the goals of a committed environmental organisation.

We offer

In addition to the attractive location next to Heidelberg in the Rhine-Neckar metropolitan region, we offer a small, highly motivated team, flexible working opportunities and hours as well as a varied range of tasks. Your professional and personal development is important to us. Join us in tackling the central challenges of our time, experience immediate effectiveness and create new standards for the built environment!

Your application

Please send your application with the usual documents to kramolisch@natureplus.org by 22 September 2021. Interviews are scheduled for 30 September and 1 October 2021, if possible at the natureplus office, otherwise online. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us by phone: +49(0)6223-866017-26. We look forward to receiving your application!



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