

# 4 Positions as Doctoral Researcher (f/m/d) - ERC Advanced Grant Project „Rewilding the Anthropocene“

## Department of Social and Cultural Anthropology

The University of Cologne is one of the largest and most research-intensive universities in Germany, offering a wide range of subjects. With its six faculties and its interfaculty centres, it offers a broad spectrum of scientific disciplines and internationally outstanding profile areas, supported by the administration with its services.

REWILDING is an environmental anthropological project contributing to the budding field of environmental humanities generally and to debates on the shifting entanglements between people, flora, and fauna in the world's largest conservation landscape, the southern African Kavango-Zambezi Transboundary Conservation Area (KAZA TFCA), in particular. The project is headed by Prof. Michael Bollig, Department of Social and Cultural Anthropology. For a brief description of the project please visit our homepage at <http://ethnologie.phil-fak.uni-koeln.de/jobs>.

### YOUR TASKS

- » Developing a PhD project on the topic of REWILDING with an in-depth focus on particular multi-species assemblages
- » Conducting ethnographic fieldwork for about 12-15 months in south-central Africa (either Namibia, Zambia, Botswana, Zimbabwe or Angola)
- » Data collection and analysis
- » Presentation of results in the form of regular reports, lectures and publications
- » Participating on regular project meetings
- » Support in the organization of academic and policy events (conferences, workshops, working meetings)

### YOUR PROFILE

- » Completed master's degree (MA) in Ethnologie / Social and Cultural Anthropology (or related disciplines)
- » Expertise in environmental anthropology
- » Willingness to conduct several months of ethnographic research in south-central Africa; familiarity with the research sites will be beneficial
- » Excellent knowledge of English is required; knowledge of German or willingness to learn German for communication purposes is desired

### WE OFFER YOU

- » Integration in the University's Global South Study Center
- » A diverse and fair working environment
- » Support in reconciling work and family life
- » Flexible working time models
- » Extensive advanced training opportunities
- » Occupational health management offers
- » Local transport ticket at a discount for UoC employees

The positions are available from 01.01.2022 on a part-time basis (29,87 working hours per week / 75%). They are limited until 31.12. 2024 with an option of extending for an additional year. If the applicant meets the relevant wage requirements and personal qualifications, the salary is based on remuneration group 13 TV-L of the pay scale for the German public sector.

The University of Cologne is committed to equal opportunities and diversity. Women are especially encouraged to apply and will be considered preferentially in accordance with the Equal Opportunities Act of North Rhine-Westphalia (Landesgleichstellungsgesetz – LGG NRW). We also expressly welcome applications from people with disabilities / special needs or of equal status.

Please send your convincing application by email (in one pdf-file) with the reference number Wiss2109-01 to [m.boeck@uni-koeln.de](mailto:m.boeck@uni-koeln.de). The application deadline is 31. 10 2021.

If you have any questions, please contact Prof. Dr. Michael Bollig ([michael.bollig@uni-koeln.de](mailto:michael.bollig@uni-koeln.de)).