The Max Planck Institute for Biogeochemistry (MPI-BGC) in Jena is dedicated to interdisciplinary fundamental research in the field of Earth system sciences with a focus on climate and ecosystems. The internationally renowned institute, which currently employs around 230 people, will celebrate its 25th anniversary in 2022. Jena is known for high-tech industry, internationally renowned research institutions and a modern university, but it also has a beautiful natural setting in the green Saale valley with steep limestone slopes. The city of Jena has an active student scene and a diverse cultural life. In the context of the Amazon Tall Tower Observatory (ATTO), a joint German/Brazilian project to study forest-climate-atmosphere interactions in the central Amazon tropical forest, we are looking for a

**Scientific Coordinator for the Amazon Tall Tower Observatory (ATTO) (m/f/d)**

(Full-time/part-time, initially limited to three years, with extension possible dependent on continued financing)

**Background and position description:**

The ATTO project is a long-term collaboration between Brazilian and German scientists. Currently over 200 scientists from both countries are involved and collaborate on this interdisciplinary study to link the biogeochemistry and ecology of intact Amazon forests to their impact on the atmosphere and climate. The jobholder (m/f/d) will be responsible for working with the project leadership on planning and implementation of the research, dissemination of scientific results and preparation of administrative and scientific reports as well as working towards securing continued financing for the ATTO project.

For more information, click here: [https://www.attoproject.org](https://www.attoproject.org). We are looking for an individual (m/f/d) with proven scientific understanding in the general areas of tropical forests and/or atmosphere-biosphere exchange who possesses skills required to help lead an interdisciplinary and international scientific project while ensuring availability of generated data and communication of results.

**Your Tasks:**

- Work with project principal investigators to facilitate scientific interaction and communication among the multinational, multi-disciplinary science team
- Financial planning for parts of the larger project funded through the MPI for Biogeochemistry
- Oversee outreach and data management activities hosted at the MPI for Biogeochemistry and coordinate generally on issues of data availability to international networks and data sharing
- Represent the project and its scientific achievements at international meetings and events
- Collaboration on scientific articles, including own publications depending on the candidate’s scientific background and interests

**Your Profile:**

**Professional profile:**

- Doctorate in a relevant field (tropical forest ecosystems, forest/atmosphere exchange)
- Experience in planning and execution of complex interdisciplinary and international research projects
• Experience with data used by international networks (e.g. greenhouse gases, eddy covariance, tall tower data interpretation, climate, clouds, aerosols, etc.)
• Excellent communication skills and ability to cooperate with scientists and technical staff from all over the world
• Ability to write scientific and administrative reports and proposals
• English language fluency required; German and Portuguese language skills highly desirable
• Willingness to travel regularly to the ATTO site and our partner Institute, INPA (National Institute for Amazonian Research, Manaus, Brazil)

Personal profile:
• Scientific profile with management experience
• Ability to work independently
• Strong teamwork and intercultural skills combined with service orientation, initiative, and sense of responsibility
• Goal-oriented, reliable and organized way of working
• Skills in organization, negotiation and mediation

Terms of employment:
The employment is financed by a grant and time limited to 3 - 4 years. If the requirements of the collective agreement are fulfilled, the position will be classified up to pay group 14 according to TVöD (Bund); in addition, we grant a retirement pension based on the public service agreement (VBL).
The Max-Planck society is committed to increasing the number of individuals with disabilities in its workforce and therefore encourages applications from such qualified individuals. The Max Planck Society seeks to increase the number of women in those areas where they are underrepresented and therefore explicitly encourages women to apply.

Your Application:
For further inquiries, please contact the ATTO co-coordinator Susan Trumbore (trumbore@bgc-jena.mpg.de). If you are interested, please send us your application with cover letter, curriculum vitae as well as names and contact information of 2 - 3 references by e-mail, summarized in one PDF file (max. 10 MB) by September 15, 2021, quoting the reference number 17/2021 to bewerbung@bgc-jena.mpg.de or to the

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For an application by email, all components should ideally be compiled in one single document in PDF-format. For an application by regular mail, please do not use application folders, but only submit copies, as your documents will be destroyed in accordance with data protection regulations at the end of the application process.

We look forward to receiving your application!