



The research group of Dr. Didone Frigerio at the Core Facility KLF for Behaviour and Cognition has funding available for a two year PhD position in Animal Behaviour. Topic of the research is avian pair-bond behaviour and social dynamics in a comparative setting and upon support by citizen scientists. The Research Assistant/PhD candidate will be part of a new working group applying citizen science to behavioural research in close collaboration with the long-term partner of the KLF, the Cumberland Game Park. The candidate should develop his/her own project within this framework. Expertise in analysis of big data sets and communication skills are essential.

The position is granted for 20 hours/week, including free accommodation (expected contribution: 1,-€ per day) at the Konrad Lorenz Research Station in Grünau (about 230 km West of Vienna). The collaborator will be enrolled at the Department of Behavioural Biology, University of Vienna, Austria (www.behaviour.univie.ac.at/) and will interact with its members on a regular base. The working language of the Department is English and we welcome scientists and students from all over the world.

Profile:

- Above average master degree in either zoology, biology, or computer science
- Proficient knowledge of English
- Excellent academic standing
- Research experience in analysis of animal behaviour
- Strong computational skills
- Genuine interest in studying behaviour under field conditions
- Outstanding social competence
- Ability to work in a team is mandatory

Further desirable qualifications

- Publications in international, peer-reviewed journals
- Previous experience in studying animal behaviour
- Previous experience with citizen science-related issues
- Previous experience in working in a research team
- Knowledge of German is beneficial

Application including CV, photograph and a motivation letter should be sent to Dr. Didone Frigerio (didone.frigerio@univie.ac.at) until November 15th, 2018. Planned starting date is January 1st, 2019.





