

Postdoctoral Researcher in Integrative Forest Management (2 years, 60-100%)

The Horizon Europe project **TRANSFORMIT** aims to advance **Integrative Forest Management (IFM)** across Europe and beyond by synthesizing knowledge from science, practice, and policy. The project brings together partners across multiple disciplines to develop strategies and learning tools that promote forest management supporting biodiversity, ecosystem services, and resilience. ETH Zürich, as one of the Swiss partners, leads Task 7.2 “Project Synthesis” in **Work Package 7 (WP7)**, which focuses on “International Collaboration, Synthesis and Learning”.

We are seeking a motivated and open-minded **Postdoctoral Researcher** to support the synthesis and integration of results across all TRANSFORMIT work packages. The successful candidate will coordinate the scientific and transdisciplinary synthesis activities within WP7. The position is based at **ETH Zürich**, in close collaboration with the **Swiss Federal Research Institute (WSL)**.

The main tasks will include:

- Leading the **synthesis of project outcomes** across multiple disciplines (ecology, management, policy, and social sciences)
- Collaborating closely with all TRANSFORMIT work package leaders and project partners across Europe
- Supporting the development of the **IFM Knowledge Hub**, an online platform for sharing lessons learned and results
- Supporting **policy-relevant recommendations** and contributions to the **educational module** on IFM
- Co-organizing and contributing to the **international synthesis workshop** (back-to-back with the Integrate Network annual meeting)
- Supporting internal communication, coordination, and reporting activities related to WP7

Required qualifications:

- PhD in forestry, environmental sciences, sustainability science, or a related interdisciplinary field
- Experience in interdisciplinary and transdisciplinary collaboration
- Familiarity with forest management and/or forest policy frameworks
- Strong analytical and synthesis skills, ideally with experience in knowledge integration or meta-analysis
- Excellent organizational and coordination abilities
- Strong interpersonal and communication skills, with the ability to engage constructively across disciplines and stakeholder groups
- Proficiency in English (spoken and written); additional European languages are an asset

We are looking for a person who combines scientific rigour, communication skills, and a collaborative mindset. We particularly value individuals who are inclusive, persistent, and persuasive, able to motivate collaboration and ensure delivery of project results across a large international consortium. You will work in an inspiring international environment and interact with leading researchers, practitioners, and policymakers in forest management and sustainability science. Remote collaboration with international partners and periodic travel to project meetings and workshops are expected.

We offer

- A dynamic, interdisciplinary research environment at one of the world’s leading universities
- Close collaboration with a large European consortium and international networks in forest management and biodiversity research
- Opportunity to shape synthesis and knowledge exchange at the interface of science, policy, and practice
- Competitive salary and employment conditions according to ETH Zürich regulations

Please submit your application including i) a motivation letter describing your interest and fit for the position; ii) curriculum vitae; iii) list of publications; iv) Contact information for two references.

Application deadline: Open until filled – review of applications will start immediately.

Start date: As soon as possible.

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