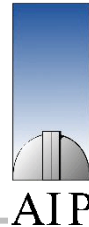


Job Announcement



The Astrophysical Institute Potsdam (AIP) is located in the beautiful Potsdam/Babelsberg area at the south-western border to Berlin. About 150 personnel work on a variety of astrophysical and engineering topics. The AIP is a member of the Leibniz-Association and is partner of the Large Binocular Telescope (LBT) and the GREGOR and LOFAR projects. It owns and operates the new robotic facility STELLA in Tenerife and the PMAS Integral field spectrograph at the 3.5m telescope on Calar Alto. It is currently engaged in the construction of the Potsdam Echelle Polarimetric and Spectroscopic Instrument (PEPSI) for the LBT and the MUSE 2nd generation instrument for the ESO/VLT.

We are looking for a

Support astronomer.

Applications are invited for a tenure-track position as support astronomer for the optical facilities of AIP. The main task will be to support the operation and science exploitation of AIP facilities, in particular the two STELLA telescopes in Tenerife, but also the LBT in Arizona, the PMAS integral field spectrograph on Calar Alto and the night-time GREGOR solar telescope, also on Tenerife. Frequent travelling to Spain and Arizona is to be expected. The person must be able to work at an altitude of up to 3100m. Particular welcomed is experience with optical spectroscopy and with CCD detectors. It is foreseen that the successful applicant will have up to 30% of the time available for personal research.

The appointee should have some observatory management experience, has experience in using and operating optical telescopes and their scientific instruments, and has a research profile on its own.

The initial appointment is for three years. Review of the applications will start immediately and continue until the position is filled. Salary is based on the German public service scale (TV-L; included are employer contributions to medical and dental insurance, maternity leave, and retirement benefits). The AIP is an equal opportunity employer and particularly encourages applications from women. It values diversity. For further questions please contact Prof. K. G. Strassmeier (kstrassmeier@aip.de).

Applications together with a detailed CV and bibliography and the names of five references should be sent to

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