The Technische Universität Kaiserslautern (TUK) is a research university with a focus on engineering and natural sciences and an international profile. In the field of basic research, it is particularly active in seven collaborative research centres (CRCs) and transregio-CRCs. Important subject areas of application-oriented research are dealt with in close cooperation with the ten research institutes in the vicinity. The TUK is a campus university characterised by short distances and cooperative partnership among all its members.

In the framework of the Programme for the Promotion of Early Career Researchers by the German Federal and State Governments (WISNA) the position of tenure track professor

**W2 Professor with W3 Tenure for ‘Molecular Botany’ (m/f/d)**

at the TUK in the Department of ‘Biology’ is to be filled as soon as possible.

In research, the professorship should represent a current field in Botany and act as a link between the existing research programmes in molecular plant sciences and ecology or microbiology. Applicants with a research focus on climatic adaptations, abiotic stress reactions, or membrane biology of plants are particularly encouraged to apply. We are looking for a candidate who can complement the existing methodological expertise on campus. The professorship is embedded in a faculty with a strong research track record and should complement existing focal areas, in particular the Transregio-SFB 175 *The Green Hub - Central Coordinator of Acclimation in Plants* and the Research Initiative *BioComp*, which focuses on dynamic membrane processes in biological systems. Teaching duties include covering basic Botany in the Bachelor’s course Biologie. In the Master’s course, the applicant is expected to participate in at least one of the three specialisations *Microbial and Plant Biotechnology*, *Molecular Cell Biology*, or *Ecology*.

We are looking for an individual with internationally recognised research achievements in the above-mentioned current fields of molecular plant sciences, a successful record of continuous third-party funding, excellent didactic skills, and pertinent teaching experience. In order to fulfil these tasks in research and teaching, the professorship will receive competitive resources for equipment and personnel as well as sufficient premises.

This tenure track professorship is funded by the WISNA programme. The programme’s target group are scientists at an early stage of their careers. The filling of the professorship requires eligibility according to WISNA.

The professorship shall initially be occupied as a W2 position in civil service for a period of six years. A mid-term evaluation shall be conducted in the third year; a tenure evaluation shall be conducted prior to completion of the period. Following the successful completion of this and, insofar as the general staff regulations are met, the appointment shall take place for the civil service post for life in the salary grade W3. The procedures are set forth in the TUK Statutes on Quality Assurance for Appointments.

The State of Rhineland-Palatinate and the TUK represent a support concept in which a high attendance of the professors at the university is expected.
Besides the general staff regulations, the appointment requirements stipulated in § 49 of the University Act of the State of Rhineland-Palatinate apply.

The TUK strives to promote an increase in the representation of women in research and teaching, and thus emphatically invites qualified female academics to apply. Applicants with disabilities will receive preferential treatment in the event of equal suitability (please enclose evidence to the application). The TUK is a family-friendly university; it values the diversity of its members and enables equality of opportunity for all. Applications by scientists from abroad are particularly welcome.

Applications including curriculum vitae, current and planned research activities, teaching experience, sources of external funding, publication list with up to four reprints, are requested to be submitted via E-Mail as one combined PDF-document by June 02, 2019 to: dekanat@biologie.uni-kl.de.

Additionally, you are requested to fill out a form and to add it to your application. The form can be downloaded at http://www.bio.uni-kl.de/aktuelles/bio-stellenangebote/.