The Chair for Plant Systems Biology (Prof. Dr. Claus Schwechheimer) at the Technical University of Munich invites applications for the position of an

**Independent Group Leader in Plant Sciences**

The successful candidate will perform independent cutting edge research in the field of plant cell biology, plant biochemistry and/or systems biology. The research theme is open and interactions are expected with research groups and research themes at the Chair for Plant Systems Biology, the Department of Plant Sciences at the Technical University of Munich and/or the Sonderforschungsbereich 924 “Molecular mechanism regulating yield and yield stability in plants.”

Salary and social benefits are according to scale A13 of the German Civil Service Regulations. The Chair provides well-equipped modern laboratory and plant growth space and will allocate a technical support staff position to the group. The group will have direct access to a state-of-the-art microscopy facility and can provide growth space for crop plants. An active participation in the SFB924 is desired and initial research funding may be allocated to the newly established research group through core funds of the SFB924. Further research support should be acquired from national and international funding agencies such as DFG, BMBF or the EU.

The position is open from April 2017 and applications should be submitted no later than January 31, 2017 to Claus Schwechheimer at claus.schwechheimer@wzw.tum.de. Applications should include a letter of motivation, a research proposal, and a CV with a publication list and the names of two referees.

The Chair and the Department of Plant Sciences are located on the Weihenstephan Campus of the Technical University of Munich in Freising, 30 km north of Munich and within easy reach of the city of Munich and Munich airport. The Campus hosts about 90 Professors, working exclusively in different disciplines of the life sciences. The Chair has active research contacts with the molecular plant science groups at the University of Munich (LMU), the Helmholtz Center Munich-Neuherberg, as well as the University of Regensburg.

The Technical University of Munich is committed to increase the proportion of women in science and qualified women are particularly encouraged to apply. Equally qualified applicants with disabilities will be given preference.

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