PostDoc position in cognitive/environmental psychology.

Applications are invited for a full-time (TVL-13) post-doctoral researcher at Heidelberg University in an interdisciplinary project on the socio-economic factors affecting the Lake Victoria ecosystem (with a focus on the Nile perch fishery). The post is initially limited until April 2022, with a possible extension of 3 years. The intended start date is July 1st, 2019.

This is an exciting opportunity to work as part of an interdisciplinary research team (including behavioral economics, fishery biology, mathematical modeling, environmental and cognitive psychology) in a large project. MultiTip investigates the cognitive processing and understanding--mental models-- of the Lake Victoria ecosystem. The project includes considerable fieldwork in East Africa to assess stakeholders' mental models and how these perceptions influence decision-making.

This work will contribute towards identifying barriers and solutions to conservation issues, which will likely inform regional policy and contribute to the natural resource management literature. Besides working with our partners in the field (including key policy makers, NGO's, and fishing communities), your work will be guided by an external advisory panel of scholars from Columbia University, Princeton University, Carnegie-Mellon University, Wageningen University and the Stockholm Resilience Centre. More information is available at www.multitip.de.

The core tasks associated with the position are:

- Collecting data on stakeholders' perceptions and mental models across Uganda, Kenya and Tanzania in collaboration with local research institutions
- Conducting a field-intervention
- Liaising with local stakeholders for the development and dissemination of the studies

Candidates should have, or be about to receive, a PhD in Psychology and

- Possess demonstrable experience in conducting, analyzing, and interpreting empirical studies in the field,
- Have, ideally, research experience in the field of mental models, perceptions of complex decisions, dynamic decision-making, and/or sustainable resource management
- Be fluent in English. Additionally, knowledge of Swahili (or other local languages) and/or German would be an advantage.
- Have experience conducting research in developing countries and/or working with stakeholders

The closing date for application is 3rd of June, or until the position is filled.

To apply, send the following five items **as a single pdf-file** to office-eco@awi.uni-heidelberg.de: (1) a letter of motivation, (2) a current CV, (3) two letters of recommendation or contact details of two referees, (4) grade transcripts, and (5) a writing sample.

If you have any questions about this vacancy, please contact: helen.fischer@su.se