

Zurich Zoo is calling! A conservation organization. A habitat for 8,000 animals. A host. And an employer on equal footing.

As a modern, scientifically managed zoo, Zurich Zoo is committed to preserving biodiversity at many levels. Every day, with dedication and expertise, we pursue our four core missions: species conservation, nature conservation, education, and research. Do you share our commitment and want to contribute to safeguarding biodiversity?

If you are an efficient and engaging leader with extensive practical experience in working with elephants, we hope you will consider joining our Department of «Species Conservation & Animals»:

## **CURATOR – ELEPHANTS (100%, M/F/D)**

The Zoo Zurich is recruiting for an Elephant Curator to manage our new state of the art Elephant section. This full-time position provides an unique opportunity to work with Asian elephants, ungulates, geladas and several other taxa. You will be responsible for the husbandry and presentation of the animals in the Elephant section, while also taking an active role in animal care (approx. 50 %). In this leadership role, you will manage and supervise a team of nine employees, support the work of our scientific and communications departments, and contribute to the training of zookeepers and university students. Representing Zoo Zurich in the international zoo community (EEP/TAG and others) will also be an important part of your responsibilities.

### **What you bring:**

- Completed biology studies, animal keeper training or comparable training
- Specialised knowledge of Asian elephants
- Experience in medical animal training
- Proven management and leadership experience
- Ability to work in a team, high customer orientation
- Knowledge of plant care and habitat enrichment is an asset
- Resilient, pragmatic, committed & communicative
- Very good written and spoken German and English skills
- IT skills (MS Office, ZIMS)

### **We offer:**

Reporting to the head of our Department «Species Conservation & Animals» a versatile and challenging workplace is waiting for you in one of the most modern elephant exhibits. Clear objectives and a budget frame will guide you through the job. An appropriate salary and well-developed social benefits complete the offered position.

Starting date: 1 November 2025 or by arrangement.

Please send us your application by submitting it via our job portal. This can be found at <https://app.jobportal.abaservices.ch/job-overview/ZooZuerich>