
Vojtěch Novotný

prof. RNDr. Vojtěch Novotný, CSc.

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Expertise and focus:	Ecology of forest ecosystems, tropical ecology, plant-insect interactions, biodiversity conservation.
Form of mentoring meetings:	Either way, online or offline
Has an experience in:	Academic career, Career in the non-profit sector, Career in the private sector
	Link to CV

Previous mentoring experience:	External advisor of MSc and PhD students and junior researchers in Czechia and overseas.
Motivation:	I have experience from Czech and overseas academic institutions, also working on environmental issues with big international corporations, as well as local and international NGOs. At my (rather late) career stage sharing this experience is a worthwhile use of my time.
Career guidance topics you can discuss with the mentor:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Creating a career plan, strategy• Identifying and utilizing one's skill set• Asking essential life questions• Differences between academic and non-academic careers• Navigating the job market, employment opportunities
Research related experience the mentor is ready to share with the mentee:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Preparation of scientific publications - how to do it correctly, efficiently, and with quality• Writing popular science articles• Grant writing process, grant application consultation• Management of science and research in an academic institution• Consultation on preparation for a job interview• Networking - introducing people in the field• Utilizing the potential of international internships, conferences, etc.• Path to an academic position abroad• Consultation on required competencies for the private sector• Project management• Navigating the job market in the sector I operate in