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The Thünen Institute of Farm Economics, Johann Heinrich von Thünen-Institut, Federal Research Institute for Rural Areas, Forestry and Fishery, announces a vacancy for 24 months to be filled at the earliest date possible for a

Research Scientist

in the field of "Economics of intensive livestock production".

Responsibilities

- Farm-level analysis as well as technology and policy impact analysis of livestock production systems (mainly pig, poultry), among them the analysis of sustainability aspects
- International comparative analysis (competitiveness, legal framework conditions), participation in the international network *agri benchmark*
- Organisation and realisation of farm data collection and expert interviews
- Reporting and scientific publications
- Presentations at domestic and international conferences and workshops

Professional requirements

- University degree in agricultural science (focus on economic and social aspects of agriculture, agricultural economics or agribusiness) or economics
- Sound farm management knowledge
- Experience in the economic analysis of agricultural farms
- Specific knowledge of the analysis of production systems (mainly in the field of intensive livestock production)
- Good skills in spreadsheet, statistics, presentations and word processing software
- Practical experiences in pig and poultry production is advantageous
- Experience in the independent implementation of research projects are advantageous

Personal requirements

- Creativity and interest in exploration of new areas
- Analytical thinking, target-oriented working-style, critical ability to judge
- High degree of motivation, proactive, organisational skills and good time management
- Team- and project-related, independent working style
- Distinct cooperation and communication ability; competency of working with people from different cultural background
- Ability to present facts for different audiences comprehensibly verbally and in writing
- Very good English language skills (verbally and in writing)
- Readiness and ability to travel domestically and internationally

We offer the opportunity to work in an active and stimulating research environment on highly relevant research topics at the interface between research and practice, using contacts to national and international research institutions and organisations. As we put special emphasis on the professional and personal further development of our staff, we offer a family-friendly work environment, flexible working time models as well as comprehensive opportunities for training and further qualification.

Apart from the professional assignments we offer an opportunity for further scientific education, particularly work on a dissertation or habilitation. Own results obtained in this project may be used for the doctorate or post-doctorate studies.

The salary is determined by the German collective civil service wage agreement (TVöD). The salary level is 13 TVöD. Should qualified applicants be interested in part time employment, the TI will consider this option.

The TI promotes the professional equality of women and men and thus expressly encourages women to apply for this position. Equally qualified handicapped persons will especially be considered. Only a minimum of physical ability is required for this position (among it the ability to travel independently by airplane).

For further information please contact Dr. Claus Deblitz (E Mail: claus.deblitz (at) ti.bund.de; Tel: +49 531 596 5141).

A written application with a curriculum vitae, a tabular overview of the academic and professional experience as well as copies of transcripts (preferred electronically in a single PDF file), with the notation 2012-16-BW, must be received by July 31, 2015 by:

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