





The Rheinische Friedrich-Wilhelms-Universität Bonn is an international research university that offers a wide range of degree programs. With 200 years of history, about 38,000 students, over 6,000 employees, and an excellent domestic and international reputation, Bonn University is among Germany's leading universities and has just been awarded the title University of Excellence.

Starting at April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2020, preliminarily limited to a fixed contract until 31.03.2022 the group Economic and Agricultural Policy in the Institute for Food and Resource Economics is seeking a

## Postdoctoral Researcher (100%)

to work within the Collaborative Research Center (CRC) "Future Rural Africa - Future-making and social-ecological transformation" (<a href="www.crc228.de">www.crc228.de</a>). The CRC combines expertise from the two Universities of Bonn and Cologne to study newly emerging issues of social-ecological transformation and future-making in Africa. The specific role of the successful candidate is to develop theoretical and empirical economic models about the role of aspirations in future oriented decisions by rural households in Africa. Besides the analysis of already collected data, a key task is the involvement in the preparation of a research concept for the second phase of the CRC.

## Your tasks:

- Developing your own research program related to future making of rural households in Africa
- Collaborating on econometric modelling with the group's doctoral students
- Communicating and collaborating with researchers in the CRC
- Publishing in internationally leading disciplinary and multidisciplinary journals
- Grant writing for follow-up research in the CRC

## Your profile:

- A doctoral degree in Economics, Agricultural Economics or related field
- An internationally relevant publication record corresponding to state of career
- An interest in interdisciplinary and collaborative research
- An interest in working on rural issues in Africa and willingness to travel
- Strong methodological competence in econometrics and ideally some experience with new data science / machine learning techniques
- You are flexible, team oriented and interested in continuing your professional development

## We offer:

- Membership in the CRC Future Rural Africa
- Participation in innovative and current research set in an outstanding international research environment
- Opportunity of conducting research qualifying for future academic positions and of receiving the support necessary to do this successfully
- Mentoring by two experienced professors from the CRC
- Institutional support for applicants with families and for women
- An open, stimulating work environment in a group with other researchers specializing in quantitative economic policy analysis
- Participation in the university-wide pension system (VBL)
- An excellent transport infrastructure with the opportunity to obtain a discounted employee ticket for public transportation (VRS)
- A salary based on the 13 TV-L scale

The University of Bonn is committed to diversity and equal opportunity. It is certified as a family-friendly university and aims to increase the proportion of women employed in areas where women are under-represented and to promote their careers. To that end, it urges women with relevant qualifications to apply. Applications will be handled in accordance with the Landesgleichstellungsgesetz (State Equality Act). Applications from suitable candidates with a certified disability or equivalent status are particularly welcome.

Applicants please submit (1) a letter of motivation including your specific research interest (max. 2 pages); (2) a curriculum vitae including a list of publications; (3) a copy of your doctoral diploma; (4) the name and contact of two references (position, professional address and e-mail).

If you are interested in this position, please send your complete application documents by January 31, 2020 to <a href="mailto:agpo@ilr.uni-bonn.de">agpo@ilr.uni-bonn.de</a>. Before sending your application, please combine and convert all of your documents into one PDF file. For further information, please contact Thomas Heckelei (thomas.heckelei@ilr.uni-bonn.de).