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www.ti.bund.de/en/infoteh/stellenangebote/?&id=1&L=1&job_id=2481&p=1.

The Institute of Farm Economics of the Johann Heinrich von Thünen Institut, Federal Research Institute for Rural Areas, Forestry and Fishery, announces a **permanent** position vacancy for a

Research Scientist

to be filled as soon as possible in the work area „**Livestock Economics**“, dedicated to research and policy advice.

Responsibilities

- Farm-level analyses as well as technology and policy-analysis of livestock production systems with a focus on pig, poultry and beef production.
- Assessment of the impacts of political, legal and technological framework conditions and its changes on livestock production in Germany
- Farm-level accompanying research of science and technology research projects
- Analysis of sustainability aspects in livestock production systems
- International comparative analysis (international competitiveness, legal framework conditions)
- Active participation in the international network *agri benchmark*
- Cost-benefit analyses on various topics (mainly short-term requests from the Ministry)
- Elaboration of policy recommendations from the scientific results
- Preparation of reports and statements; publication of the results in national and international journals
- Acquisition of third-party funds and project management

Professional requirements

- University degree in agricultural science (focus on economic and social aspects of agriculture, agricultural economics or agribusiness) or economics
- PHD or comparable scientific qualification desired
- Well-grounded micro-economic proficiency, familiarity in the use of quantitative and qualitative analysis methods
- Experience in farm-level analysis, profound knowledge of the production system context, in particular in pig, poultry and beef production
- Experience in the editing of research reports, scientific publications and presentations
- Experience in acquisition of third-party funds and implementation / management of national / international research projects is advantageous

Personal requirements

- Distinct creativity and interest in exploring new fields, readiness to address and familiarise with new questions
- Great interest in multi-disciplinary issues in an applied context
- Ability to analyse complex issues
- Analytical thinking ability, critical judgment ability
- Ability to work as a team member and on projects, ability to work independently

- High level of motivation, self-initiative and organizational ability as well as good time management skills
- Ability to present complex information clearly and understandably in written and verbal form for different audiences
- Excellent written and verbal German and English language skills
- Readiness to travel domestically and internationally

We offer

- An active and stimulating research environment
- Work on relevant societal issues at the interface between research, farming practice and policy
- Contacts to international research facilities and organisations
- Comprehensive vocational training opportunities
- A family-friendly work environment

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. A minimum of physical ability is required for this position.

A written application with a curriculum vitae, a tabular overview of the academic and professional experience as well as copies of transcripts, with the notation **2015-07-BW**, must be received by **April 07, 2015** by:

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