

The **research group “Bioeconomy Economics”** of the Faculty of Business, Economics and Information Systems (Dr Terese Venus) invites applications for the position of

**student research assistant (20h/month)**

The starting date of this position can be agreed upon individually. Remuneration is EUR 12 per hour.

Project description

The student research assistant, who is ideally studying the M.Sc. International Economics and Business or the M.A. Development Studies programme, will support the research project, ReValueD. As developing countries face the challenge of fostering economic growth under the constraint of environmental regulation, this project focuses on the concept of the bioeconomy. The bioeconomy is considered a means to overcome the development gap between agrarian economies and sustainable industrialisation by creating industries based on biological resources and bioprocesses (e.g. biodiesel, bioplastic, bio-textiles etc.). The project includes case studies in Costa Rica, Ghana and the Philippines. The overarching goal is to bridge technical knowledge of the bioeconomy with socio-economic realities of developing countries to create strong market links between developing and developed countries.

Key responsibilities:

- Support research activities including literature research, data retrieval, data preparation and analysis, follow-up-survey preparation
- Assist with any organisational tasks related to the project as and when needed

Person specification:

- Bachelor’s degree in economics or a related field (with proven basic knowledge in economics)
- Basic knowledge in statistical analysis using STATA
- Very good command of English
- Flexible team player with good planning and organisational skills
- Interest in interdisciplinary research

What we offer:

Participation in an international and interdisciplinary academic research project as well as the opportunity to gain experience in electronic data handling. Furthermore, there is the possibility to support our surveys in Germany, Ghana, Costa Rica or the Philippines and write a master’s thesis based on this work (winter 2023/2024 and onwards) as part of the project. The contract has a term of up to 12 months.

How to apply:

To apply, please send a **single pdf file** comprising a cover letter, CV as well as relevant certificates and transcripts to Dr Terese Venus ([BioEcon@uni-passau.de](mailto:BioEcon@uni-passau.de)).

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This position is suitable for those with disabilities; registered disabled persons are given preference over non-disabled applicants who do not otherwise have statutory preferential status if their overall personal aptitudes, skills and qualifications are otherwise equal.

E-mailed applications are kept on file for six months after the conclusion of the application procedure, whereupon they are deleted from our systems.

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