

Call for visiting scientists from Ukraine

The Leibniz Institute of Agricultural Development in Transition Economies (IAMO), an agricultural economics research institute based in Halle (Saale), Germany, invites applications for

Visiting research fellowships in Agricultural Economics for Ukrainian researchers

for a funding period of up to 6 Months.

The funding amount is 1.200 EUR monthly for PhD students and 2.000 EUR monthly for Postdoc researchers, in addition to a 350 EUR travel allowance. The fellowship period will last until the end of the year 2022.

The fellowships are provided within the project „Land reform in Ukraine: new perspectives and challenges for sustainable development of the agricultural sector and rural areas“. This project is financially supported by the German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD) with funding from the German Foreign Office (AA).

A functioning land market is considered to be an important component of an efficient, stable and sustainable development of the agricultural economy and rural areas of Ukraine. Nevertheless, land market reform is the subject of intense political and social debates. These are due to the potential risks and negative consequences associated with the reform. The concerns include property rights protection and legal compliance in land relations, price development on the land sales and lease markets, competitiveness of small farms, market power of large agricultural farms, as well as aggravation of social conflicts in the countryside – to mention only a few. The issue of land market development is closely related to other important topics, including but not limited to the decentralization reform and perspectives for rural development in Ukraine.

Moreover, given the importance of Ukraine for global food security and considering the ongoing Russian invasion, new related problems emerge. They include, for example, field clearance from explosive military items, reconstruction of production and logistics infrastructure, restoring of food supply chains, and ensuring food security in Ukraine itself. All these issues are of high relevance for the international research community and public debate.

The selected fellows from Ukraine will obtain the opportunity to improve existing research, develop innovative research ideas or work on specific issues with regard to the abovementioned topics in collaboration with IAMO researchers. Expected work outcomes of the research stays include publications in the form of journal articles, policy briefs and/or reports. First research results will be presented at the project workshop to be held in October 2022 (online).

The visiting research fellows are responsible for arranging their health insurance, travel and accommodation in Halle (Saale) themselves. Accommodation, living and insurance costs are covered by the fellowship provided from IAMO. Postdoctoral researchers and PhD students from Ukrainian universities and research institutions with good command of English or German are eligible for funding. Especially young scientists at early stages of their qualification phase are encouraged to apply for the fellowship program.

Application Procedure

Interested candidates should submit the following application documents in English: filled application form, research proposal with up to 1000 words (explaining the research question, main methods, preliminary results, if any), excluding bibliography; CV including a list of publications, copies of documents that prove academic qualification and professional skills (diploma, certificates, etc.)

Please submit your complete application documents **electronically** to application.agmarkets@iamo.de. **Application deadline is June 12, 2022.** The application documents should be sent as a single pdf-file with a maximum size of 5 MB.

Only short-listed candidates will be contacted for an interview via email.

Please note the data protection information for applicants (m/f/d) in accordance with Art. 13 DSGVO on data processing in the application process under the following link: <https://www.iamo.de/en/top-navigation/data-protection/>

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