

The Leibniz Institute of Agricultural Development in Transition Economies (IAMO) in Halle (Saale), Germany, invites applications for a

### **PhD position (65%, TV-L E13)**

The position is to be filled on 1 July 2023, or later. The contract duration is 3 years. An extension is planned.

The successful candidate will conduct their PhD research in the Department of Markets and International Trade within the DFG-funded project "[Russia's growing wheat export business: What drives export growth, trade stability and pricing strategies](#)", led by Prof. Dr. Dr. h.c. mult. Thomas Glauben and PD Dr. Linde Götz. For more information on the project please visit the project web-site.

We are looking for an early-career researcher (m/f/x) with a strong interest to contribute to the work of the project team aiming to empirically assess the Russian wheat export business in the context of recent market developments and global food security. The analyzes will be based on Melitz's "New" New Trade Theory and focus on firm differences to explain trade relations and its determining factors. Unique data on Russia's wheat export provides the opportunity to investigate Russia's international wheat trade relations.

#### **We expect:**

1. MSc. degree or equivalent in agricultural economics, economics or a related field;
2. Interest in international agricultural trade theory and food security;
3. Passion for econometrics and data-rich analysis;
4. Expertise in econometrics and programming skills in R or readiness to develop these skills;
5. Strong written and oral communication skills in English; Russian language is a plus;
6. Openness to work in an international project team.

#### **We offer:**

1. A unique research and qualification opportunity within a multidisciplinary research environment;
2. Participation in the German Doctoral Certificate Programme in Agricultural Economics ([www.agraroekonomik.de](http://www.agraroekonomik.de)) with teaching in English language;
3. Financial support to participation in seminars and conferences;
4. Support to the preparation of publications for peer-reviewed journals;
5. Family-friendly working conditions.

The successful candidate will become a member of the IAMO Graduate School and apply for a doctoral degree from Martin Luther University Halle-Wittenberg. The doctoral student will be based at IAMO in Halle (Saale).

#### **Application:**

Interested candidates should send a set of application documents in English language that include:

1. Letter of motivation;
2. Curriculum vitae;

3. Copies of all relevant transcripts and certificates of bachelor, master or equivalent courses as well as English language certificates, if the MSc thesis was not written in English<sup>1</sup>;
4. Names and contact information of two academic referees.

This set of application documents should be sent by email as a single pdf file to [application.agmarkets@iamo.de](mailto:application.agmarkets@iamo.de). Applicants are requested to also submit electronic copies of their master/diploma thesis and (co-) authored scientific publications, if available. Application deadline: **9 June 2023**. Please note that only short-listed candidates will be contacted for interview via email.

If you have any questions please contact PD Dr. Linde Götz via e-mail: [goetz@iamo.de](mailto:goetz@iamo.de)

#### About us:

IAMO ([www.iamo.de](http://www.iamo.de)) is a public research institute that pursues basic and applied research in the field of agricultural economics. It offers an excellent infrastructure and a stimulating research environment in an international, ambitious, and multidisciplinary team. IAMO is a member of the Leibniz Association, a German network of non-university research institutes ([www.leibniz-gemeinschaft.de](http://www.leibniz-gemeinschaft.de)).

Equality of opportunity is part of our personnel policy. Female researchers are strongly encouraged to apply. Disabled applicants with adequate qualification will be preferentially considered.

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<sup>1</sup> Please note that applicants with foreign degrees have to provide a "Statement of Comparability for Foreign Higher Education Qualifications" issued by "Zentralstelle für ausländisches Bildungswesen" (Central Office for Foreign Education – ZAB) at the time of recruitment. This statement must be applied for by the certificate holder and is subject to a fee. For more information, please visit <https://www.kmk.org/zeugnisbewertung>.