

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 individually (planned: summer 2024). Remuneration is EUR 13.25 per hour.

#### ***Project description:***

The student research assistant will support the research project, ReValueD, with a focus on the case study in Latin America. Ideally, candidates should be enrolled in one of the following degree programmes: M.Sc. International Economics and Business, M.A. Development Studies or M.A. Governance and Public Policy. 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.). This student position will focus on the project's study case in [Costa Rica](#).

#### ***Key responsibilities:***

- Support research activities including literature reviews, data retrieval, data preparation and analysis
- Assist with organisational tasks related to the project and logistics of fieldwork

#### ***Requirements:***

- Language proficiency: very good command of Spanish
- Bachelor's degree in economics or a related field (social sciences) with proven knowledge in economics
- Current enrolment in a master's programme at a German university
- Interest and willingness to participate in primary data collection (in Costa Rica), data processing and analysis
- Interest in interdisciplinary and international research

#### ***What we offer:***

Participation in an international and interdisciplinary academic research project with a supportive team. We offer you the unique opportunity to participate in field data collection in Costa Rica. Ideally, you will also collect unique data to analyse as part of your master's thesis. We also offer you the possibility to write a master's thesis under close supervision based on this work (planned: June 2024) as part of the project.

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

*How to apply:* To apply, please send a **single pdf file** including a cover letter, CV, the University of Passau transcripts, and your preferred starting date to Dr Terese Venus ([BioEcon@uni-passau.de](mailto:BioEcon@uni-passau.de)) and Gremary Mengoa Aza ([gremary.azamengoa@uni-passau.de](mailto:gremary.azamengoa@uni-passau.de)).

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