

Research assistant to Environment for Development

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Environment for Development

The Environment for Development (EfD) is a unit at the School of Business, Economics and Law at University of Gothenburg. EfD is a global network of environmental economics research centers primarily based in the Global South. The overall objective of EfD is to support poverty alleviation and sustainable development by building environmental economics' capacity for policy-making processes. EfD has centers hosted by academic institutions in Central America, Chile, China, Colombia, Ethiopia, Ghana, India, Nigeria, Kenya, South Africa, Tanzania, Uganda, and Vietnam. More information about EfD can be found on the EfD website: www.environmentfordevelopment.org.

EfD was launched in 2007 by the Environmental Economics Unit at the Department of Economics, University of Gothenburg, Sweden. EfD continues to work in close partnership with the Department of Economics, which has around 100 employees and 800 students. The collaboration is particularly strong with the research groups in environmental, behavioral and development economics.

job assignments

You will work closely with the coordinator of EfD's collaborative programs and the EfD research manager, as well as with other researchers at the Global Hub, to support the management and development of the programs and to assist on research projects and grant applications.

Tasks include:

- Support in the management of EfD's research cycle by following up on deliverables.
- Assist in the administration of the EfD research funds and coordination of EfD's annual meeting.
- Monitor, document, and follow-up results from collaborative programs' research projects and grant applications.
- Support the organization of collaborative programs' meetings and workshops, including those at EfD's Annual Meeting.
- Assist EfD's Global Hub researchers in data collection, analysis, and visualization, for research projects and grant applications.
- Contribute to the timely and correct communication of research and policy engagement activities of EfD's research unit and collaborative programs on the website, in social media, annual reports, and in other forums.

Qualifications

Requirements:

- A Master's degree in Economics with specialization in environment or development.
- Demonstrable experience of project management, with particular focus on administrative skills.
- Good analytical skills, documented by written degree projects or publications in scientific journals.
- Working knowledge of Stata or R.
- Proficiency in written and spoken English.

Merits:

- Advanced knowledge of Stata and/or R.
- Experience synthesizing scientific articles and governmental reports.
- An active interest in and commitment to policy-relevant research, particularly in the field of environment and development.
- Experience of working in an academic environment (e.g., as a research assistant), and/or institutions based in the Global South.
- Knowledge of languages other than English that are relevant to EfD (i.e., the languages used in EfD countries).
- An ambition to pursue a PhD in Environmental and Development Economics

The ability to work as part of a team in a multi-cultural context is key for the position. The selected candidate should also be able to work independently and efficiently.

Employment

The employment as a research assistant is a fixed-term position for 11 months with an extent of 100% of full time, located at Environment for Development (EfD), the School of Business, Economics and Law at the University of Gothenburg in Sweden. The starting date is as soon as possible, or as agreed.

Appointment procedure

A short written and spoken language test will be carried out for candidates selected for interview. References will be contacted for final candidates.

Contact information for the post

For further information regarding the position Please contact collaborative Research Manager Alejandro Lopez Feldman, alejandro.lopez.feldman@efd.gu.se

Unions

Union representatives at the University of Gothenburg can be found here: <https://www.gu.se/om-universitetet/jobba-hos-oss/hjalp-for-sokande>

Application

To apply for a position at the University of Gothenburg, you have to create an account in our recruitment system. Submit your application via the University of Gothenburg's recruitment portal by clicking the "Apply" button. It is your responsibility to ensure that the application is complete as per the vacancy notice, and that the University receives it by the final application deadline.

Please attach the following in the application:

- CV
- Personal letter
- Degree (incl transcripts) from higher education
- Any other relevant documentation that supports your application
- Three references (name and contact details)

Applications must be received by: 2023-08-27

The University works actively to achieve a working environment with equal conditions, and values the qualities that diversity brings to its operations. Salaries are set individually at the University. In accordance with the National Archives of Sweden's regulations, the University must archive application documents for two years after the appointment is filled. If you request that your documents are returned, they will be returned to you once the two years have passed. Otherwise, they will be destroyed. In connection to this recruitment, we have already decided which recruitment channels we should use. We therefore decline further contact with vendors, recruitment and staffing companies.