

Leibniz Centre for Agricultural Landscape Research (ZALF), WG Sustainable Land Use in Developing Countries offers

Master Thesis Projects (Masterarbeit)

In the frame of **TREES research project on "Forest Landscape Restoration and Governance in the Forest sector in the tropics" - Country Package: Madagascar**". The project aims to provide scientific advice to GIZ (the German international cooperation organization) in its activities of Forest Landscape Restoration (FLR) and good governance in the forest sector. To support the project's research activities in 2024 following Master thesis projects are planned:

Madagascar

MSc 17 Decision-making processes on FLR practices at household level

MSc 18 Economic analysis of different FLR strategies

MSc 19 Study of native species potentials in Irodo Watershed

Requirements

- For the time of the Master thesis project, applicants need to be enrolled at a university (e.g. in Germany or Madagascar) (Master-II).
- A very good knowledge of English and also French is a key requirement.
- Experience with primary data collection is an asset but not a requirement (e.g. interviews, survey, ecological survey)
- Proficiency in statistical analysis software and other relevant tools for data analysis.
- Ability to work independently and collaboratively in a research team.
- Willingness to travel to the respective country of study for field research.

We offer

- Master students will be integrated in an interdisciplinary team at ZALF to research on the selected Master thesis topic.
- (Co-) Supervision for the completion of the Master thesis will be provided by ZALF staff. Main supervision remains at the university of enrolment.
- Travel costs relating to the Master thesis research will be covered by project funding.

Application

In case of interest, please send us your application by e-mail (one PDF file, max. 5 MB) with 1) a motivation letter (max. one page) incl. the code of the Master thesis project (i.e. MSc x), 2) a CV, and 3) Proof of qualification (certificates and an example of recent scientific writing, e.g. term paper) stating the reference 'Application Master Thesis F4F *YOUR NAME*' to: recruiting-susland@zalf.de

In case of questions, please contact: KueshiSemanou.Dahan@zalf.de

We look forward to receiving your application!

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