

The mission of the Leibniz Centre for Agricultural Landscape Research (ZALF) e. V., as a nationally and internationally active research centre, is to conduct research into the economically, ecologically and socially sustainable agriculture of the future – in collaboration with stakeholders from science, politics and practice. ZALF is a member of the Leibniz Association and, in addition to its main location in Müncheberg (approx. 35 minutes by regional train from Berlin-Lichtenberg), has further locations in Dedelow and Paulinenaue.

The working group Sustainable Land Use in Developing Countries (SusLAND) focusses on the analysis of land use and landscape systems in emerging and developing countries. Based on the analyses, interdisciplinary research methods are used to develop strategies to mitigate complex problems of farming systems in developing countries at local, regional and global scales. Emphasis is placed on questions regarding the avoidance of land use conflicts, the improved adaptation to climate change, food and nutrition security, and the stabilization of the livelihood of family farms.

We are offering a stipend to cover the costs for adoption studies on food security and resilience in the Global South, specifically in the Middle East. The stipend will be given to compensate the costs for conducting research and processing the related data.

PhD (m/f/d) or further academic education process towards Professor

Your responsibilities:

- Setting up an research design or experiment
- Data survey, processing and evaluation in the related region
- Interpretation of results and communicating the findings

Your qualifications:

- Student (master's or doctoral degree). Admission at a University.
- Knowledge of English
- Structured and organized way of working
- Experience with field work, data management and preliminary analysis
- You are studying and have experience related to food systems, agriculture or landscapes

We offer:

- An interdisciplinary work environment that encourages independent action and autonomous work.
- A collegial and open-minded working atmosphere in a dynamic research institution.
- Mini-scholarship.

Women are expressly encouraged to apply. Applications from severely disabled persons will be given preference if equally qualified.

Please submit your application **by August 31, 2025**, quoting reference number **MS-01-2025**, with the usual documents, in particular your resume, certificates, and references, by email to bewerbung@zalf.de. Please create a PDF document, max. 5 MB; compressed PDF documents, archive files such as zip, rar, etc. Word documents cannot be processed and will therefore not be considered!

If you have any questions, please contact: Mr. Stefan Sieber Contact person, Tel. 033432/82-125.

For cost reasons, application documents or extensive publications can only be returned if a sufficiently stamped envelope is enclosed.

When you apply, we collect and process your personal data in accordance with Articles 5 and 6 of the EU GDPR solely for the purpose of processing your application and for purposes arising from possible future employment at ZALF. Your data will be deleted after six months.