



CIHEAM MONTPELLIER

VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

Recruitment of a Research Engineer in Economics One year full-time contract, renewable for up to 3 years

The Mediterranean Agronomic Institute of Montpellier (CIHEAM Montpellier), one of the four institutes of the International Centre for Advanced Mediterranean Agronomic Studies (CIHEAM), is an intergovernmental organization whose mission is the development of higher education and lifelong learning, research and cooperation in the Mediterranean area. Within the scope of the NOVISHPAK project, CIHEAM Montpellier offers a position of a Research Engineer.

CONTEXT

NOVISHPAK is a PRIMA Section 2 project aiming to develop innovative, cost-competitive, biodegradable packaging films and edible coatings with antimicrobial properties. They will be used for the shelf-life extension of Mediterranean fish fillets, with the potential however to be applied to other agro-industrial products as well. Within this 36-month proposal, 9 partners will join forces to develop, produce, test, validate, evaluate in terms of consumers perspective and design business models for the packaging solutions proposed. Three (3) European Mediterranean countries (Greece, France, Malta), 1 North European country (Germany) and 3 North African countries (Algeria, Morocco, Tunisia) will closely collaborate allowing for both crosssectorial interdependencies and regionalization. All partners will work towards the knowledge-sharing and capacity building and will contribute in the PRIMA WEFE community by the knowledge dissemination regarding the protocols of novel packaging solutions development and implementation. NOVISHPAK vision is to effectively contribute to food sustainability and healthy products development along with food waste reduction.

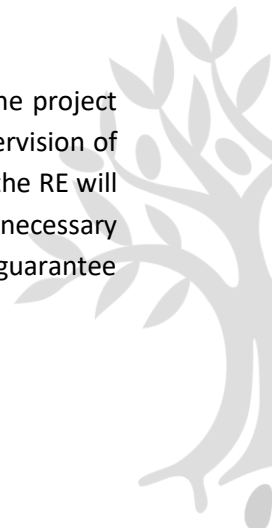
CIHEAM-IAMM is the leader of WP 5 entitled "Socio-economic impacts of innovative techniques and Business models". The objectives of this WP are: i) perform a meso-economic analysis of impacts and diffusion conditions of the innovation within industrial chains and territories; ii) Map stakeholders' organization models; iii) Assessment on the factors that determine consumers' acceptance of novel packaging and coating products; and iv) Co-design of innovative Business Models.

ROLE

The Research Engineer (RE) will play a central role in all tasks and will be a full member of the project team. Working side-by-side with the Personal Investigator, the RE be responsible for the supervision of the Pilot-Studies, as well as on the elaboration of all the required tasks of the WP. Moreover, the RE will coordinate the exchanges within the consortium partners and facilitate the acquirement of the necessary data. He/She will attain all the necessary meetings and workshops of the project in order to guarantee the well execution of the WP.

ACTIVITIES AND TASKS

- Collaborate with the other partners for the collection of the necessary data;
- Supervision of Pilot-Studies;
- Implement Q methodology;
- Consumers' behavior analysis;



- Cost-Benefit Analysis (knowledge of modeling);
- Business Model Canvas;
- Assist the coordinator in the supervision and implementation of the Tasks, and in following the project work plan;
- Attend the consortium meetings.

REQUIREMENTS

The RE must meet the following requirements:

- Master of Science in Economics;
- Knowledge of Q-methodology and value chain analysis;
- Knowledge of modeling;
- Excellent knowledge of data analysis;
- Knowledge of Pilot implementation and supervision;
- Excellent oral and written communication skills in English.

PERSONAL SKILLS REQUIRED

- Excellent organizational skills, ability to establish and maintain lasting and constructive formal relationships;
- Dynamism, reactivity and autonomy;
- Excellent skills of writing and synthesis (work plans, technical reports and other acts and management, ordinary correspondence, notes, messages, summary sheets);
- Good teamwork abilities, particularly in a multicultural and multi-disciplinary context;
- Ability to propose solutions to problems and critical issues that might arise during the project.

JOB SPECIFICATIONS

- Contract duration: fixed term contract of 12 months renewable 2 time (up to 36 months);
- Full-time (37,5h per week);
- 8 weeks' annual leave;
- Salary: According to CIHEAM-IAMM index payroll;
- Location: Mediterranean Agronomic Institute of Montpellier (Route de Mende, Montpellier, France) with occasional travels in different partner countries;
- This job offer is subject to Grant Agreement to be signed shortly.

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SELECTION PROCESS

The application **must be written in English and include a CV and a cover letter** concerning the missions defined in the job description.

Deadline for Submission: **22nd of June 2024**

Selection Committee: **25th of June 2024**

Starting Date: **1st of July 2024**

The application file must be sent by email with the following object " **NOVISHPAK Research Engineer vacancy** " to emploi@iamm.fr

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