

Service GRH Ref.: 24/35

Recruitment of a Research Engineer (RE) in Economics

10.5-months full-time contract starting on 16 December 2024

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 ALLIANCE project n°101084188, CIHEAM Montpellier offers a position of RE candidate.

CONTEXT

ALLIANCE is a Horizon Europe project aiming to create a framework to ensure data veracity and transparency in EU quality-labelled food chains. It proposes systemic solutions that go beyond current practices in order to enhance traceability, ensure authenticity, preserve quality and eliminate fraud in food products. It will use innovative methods and tools to detect adulteration on the spot, as well as consolidate international and European links, raise awareness and promote multi-actor cooperation and information-sharing.

ROLE

The RE candidate will play a central role in the project and will be a full member of the project team. Working side-by-side with the Principal Investigator, the RE candidate will be focused on Task 4.4 on Pilot Use Cases Demonstration and Validation Campaigns (WP4) and Task 4.10 on meso-economic analysis of impacts and diffusion conditions of the innovation within industrial chains and territories (WP4). More specifically, the RE candidate will be responsible for coordinating all the activities related to the Organic Honey value chain in the Occitanie region (France). Consequently, the candidate will elaborate on an economic valuation of the apiculture industry at the regional and national levels in order to identify its economic importance and possible impacts on different value chains. For this task, advanced knowledge of data analysis via R is recommended together with GIS expertise. Furthermore, the RE will be an intermediate between local stakeholders (beekeepers and extension services) and project partners to collect and transfer the necessary data as well as organize and conduct focus groups for the communication of the outcomes of the project at the regional level. In addition, the RE candidate will coordinate the exchanges within the consortium partners and facilitate the gathering of the necessary data. He/She will attend all the necessary meetings and workshops of the project in order to guarantee the well execution of the Tasks. Finally, the candidate will have to write 2 scientific articles for the outcomes of the project as well as to participate in the writing of project's deliverable.

ACTIVITIES AND TASKS

- Produce literature Review and Analysis;
- Collaborate with the other partners for the collection of the necessary data;
- Produce an Economic assessment of the beekeeping sector in the Occitanie region;
- Assist the coordinator in the supervision and implementation of WP4;
- Organize focus groups;
- Write scientific articles.

REQUIREMENTS

The RE candidate must meet the following requirements:

- Master 2 in Economics or Agronomy;
- Excellent knowledge of data analysis via R;
- Knowledge on GIS;
- Knowledge of writing scientific articles;
- 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: 10.5-months fixed-term contract (from 16th December 2024 to 31st October 2025);
- Full-time (37.5 hours per week);
- 7 weeks' leave over the duration of the contract
- Gross monthly salary: 1930€;
- Location: Mediterranean Agronomic Institute of Montpellier (3191 route de Mende, Montpellier,
 France) with occasional travels in different partner countries.

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CIHEAM Montpellier is committed to a policy of non-discrimination and gender. Position open to people with disabilities.

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 and sent by email to emploi@iamm.fr with the following object "ALLIANCE RE candidate vacancy"

Deadline for Submission: 8th December 2024

Selection Committee: 12th December 2024

Starting Date: 16th December 2024