

China Land Policy Research Center of Nanjing Agricultural University, Department of Environmental Science and Engineering, Tsinghua University and Research Centre for Eco-Environmental Science of Chinese Academy of Sciences are searching Chinese candidates for:

**two POSTDOC researchers (5 years) and
eight PhD Students (4 years)**

for the execution of the five year research program ‘Institutions, policies and markets for sustainable resource use in rural China’. Funding is provided by the Royal Netherlands Academy of Arts and Sciences (KNAW) and the Chinese Ministry of Science and Technology (MOST). The purpose of this program is to study the impact of (in)formal institutions on the sustainability of land, water and energy use in rural areas and to analyze how these institutions change due to globalization, market liberalization and the increasing pressure and competing claims on these (scarce) natural resources. Fieldwork takes place in research sites in Jiangxi, Yunnan, Ningxia, Gansu, and Inner Mongolia. The research will be carried out by eight PhDs and three post-docs. One of the three post-docs will be based in The Netherlands and is searched separately; the other two post-docs will be based in China.

- Six sandwich PhD students will enroll in the Department of Social Sciences of Wageningen University or the Institute of Social Studies in The Hague in The Netherlands. The first and last year of study will be in Netherlands, and the other two years will involve field research in China. There will be scholarships available with tuition fees, living allowance for 4 study years and research costs.
- Two Chinese PhD students will enroll in China Land Policy Research Center of Nanjing Agriculture University, the Department of Environmental Science and Engineering of Tsinghua University, or the Research Centre for Eco-Environmental Science, Chinese Academy of Sciences in China. A scholarship covering tuition fees and living allowance for four study years is available, including study visits to the Netherlands.
- The two postdoctoral researchers will enjoy all the correlative treatment (housing, wage). Besides the project will offer enough research funds, fine work conditions and living subsidy of RMB 30,000 yuan per year.

The doctoral student applicant who has the qualification as below will be considered firstly:

1. having acquired a master degree before July 2008 in the social or economic sciences, with a master thesis subject close to this project; or fulfillment of all master level courses without a thesis research and degree.
2. specialization in environmental economics, environmental planning and management, environmental studies, population resource and environmental economics, agriculture economics and management, land resource management, economic geography, social geography, sociology, political sciences;

3. fluent English communication and writing skills; for the 6 sandwich PhD positions there is need to fulfill one of the following conditions:
 - IELTS: 7.0 , with a minimum of 6.0 for each (academic) module;
 - TOEFL: 600 points for the written TOEFL, 250 points for the computer based TOEFL and 100 points for the Internet based TOEFL; or
 - a master degree from an English language university
 - accepted on condition that they take a TOEFL or IELTS test and pass that test in the coming few months;In case of a slightly lower score on IELTS (>6.5) and TOEFL (>575) admission is possible but further language study is needed.
4. have published article or literature that refers to specialties above;
5. who have experience in international cooperation and overseas research work, or did research in rural China before.

The postdoctoral research applicant who has the qualification as below will be considered firstly:

1. having acquired a doctoral degree before July 2008 and with a doctoral thesis subject close to this project;
2. specialization in environmental economics, environmental planning and management, environmental studies, population resource and environmental economics, agriculture economics and management, land resource management, economic geography, social geography, sociology, political sciences
3. fluent English language communication and writing skills,
4. published articles that refers to specialties above in journals and books, preferably in international refereed ones;
5. experience in international cooperation and overseas research work, or in previous research in rural China.

Anyone who wants to apply the doctoral student or postdoctoral researcher please send your English and Chinese CV, relevant research background materials and a motivation letter to:

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