









Job Advertisement: Contract Researcher

Geographical Distribution and Accessibility of the Food Supply in mainland France.

The Centre for economics and sociology applied to agriculture and rural areas (CESAER) is looking for a highly motivated and skilled contract researcher to join our dynamic team and contribute to our ongoing research into urban and rural food landscapes in France. This post offers the opportunity to delve into the interdisciplinary field of food transitions and sustainability, focusing on the geographical distribution and accessibility of the food supply in urban and rural living areas across mainland France, taking account mainly of permanent shops (food shops, small/medium/ large-scale distribution, restaurants, etc.), weekly food markets, but also new forms of distribution (direct sales, farm drive, producer shop, farmers' market, amap, etc.).

Responsibilities:

- 1. Conduct in-depth research on urban and rural food supplies in France, including mapping and analysis of food distribution and access.
- 2. Analyse qualitative and quantitative data to gain insights into the social, economic, and environmental aspects of food systems, with a specific focus on the spatial consumption patterns.
- 3. Prepare academic paper, and other dissemination materials for publication in peerreviewed journals and presentation at conferences.

Qualifications:

- 1. Master, Engineer or Ph.D. degree in a relevant field such as geography, urban planning, environmental studies, economics, or a related discipline.
- 2. Strong analytical skills and experience in qualitative and quantitative research methods, data collection, and analysis.
- 3. Experience of computer programming, e.g. Python or R.
- 4. Familiarity with GIS software and spatial analysis techniques for mapping and visualization is highly desirable.
- 5. Excellent verbal and written communication skills in English and French.
- 6. Track record of publishing research findings in peer-reviewed journals or presenting at conferences is preferred.

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Terms of Appointment:

- This is a full-time position for a duration of 12 months, with a starting date on October/November 2023.
- The successful candidate will receive a competitive salary commensurate with qualifications and experience.

Application Procedure: Interested candidates should submit the following documents via email to mohamed.hilal@inrae.fr:

- 1. A cover letter outlining their research interests, relevant experience, and motivation for applying.
- 2. A detailed curriculum vitae (CV) highlighting academic achievements, publications, and any other relevant professional experience.
- 3. Copies of up to three representative publications or writing samples.
- 4. Contact information for three references, including email addresses and phone numbers.

Application Deadline: 30 September 2023

We will review applications on a rolling basis and encourage interested candidates to apply as soon as possible. Shortlisted applicants will be contacted for an interview and may be requested to provide additional materials.

Location: the candidate will be based at CESAER in Dijon (21)

Type of contract: 1-year fixed-term contract

Starting date: end 2023

Remuneration: depending on skills and experience

Supervisor: Mohamed Hilal (INRAE)

INRAE is an equal opportunity employer committed to diversity and inclusion. We encourage applications from individuals of all backgrounds and experiences.

When you join INRAE, you'll be entitled to: 30 days' holiday + 15 days' RTT per year; support for parenthood: CESU childcare, leisure services; skills development: training, career guidance; social support: advice and support, social aid and loans; holiday and leisure services: holiday vouchers, preferential-rate accommodation; sports and cultural activities; canteen.

Foreign applicants can be assisted with administrative formalities by a dedicated Welcome desk.

For further inquiries, please contact Mohamed Hilal at mohamed.hilal@inrae.fr

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