

## **2 Doctoral Positions in ETH's new Food Systems Economics and Policy Group**

100%, Zürich, fixed-term

### **Job description**

We seek to fill two full-time doctoral positions in our progressive and diversity-embracing new group, Food Systems Economics and Policy, which is led by Assistant Professor Dr. Eva-Marie Meemken.

In our group, you and your colleague will implement two independent but related projects on agrifood labor. The first project will focus on workers who are employed on farms or in food processing in Eastern or Southern Europe. The second project will focus on workers in the food services sector (e.g., restaurants and food delivery) in Sub-Saharan Africa. Based on the overall projects' objectives, you will develop research questions and methodological approaches further, plan and implement a survey, analyze data, and present your findings (especially in the form of scientific papers).

You will work in an excellent and inspiring research and learning environment, allowing you to strengthen and gain diverse skills (e.g., data analysis, presentation skills, project management), develop and implement creative ideas, and develop your professional network. You will work both independently and in collaboration with others on different tasks. The positions do not involve regular teaching tasks but offer opportunities to gain experiences in this area. The preferred starting date is March 2022 or as soon as possible thereafter. The position is scheduled for 3 years and requires traveling and fieldwork (ca. 3-4 months). Salary and social benefits are provided according to [ETH Zurich rules](#).

### **Your profile**

You hold (or will soon hold) a MSc degree in agricultural economics or related field (e.g., development, labor, or food economics or development studies). You are excited about global food production and social conditions in food systems, and you are keen to become an expert on agrifood labor issues. You have excellent English language skills, took classes in econometrics and gained practical skills in this area (e.g., data analysis for your MSc thesis), and you seek to develop your skills further. You are excited about preparing and implementing a survey of workers in Europe or Africa. Fieldwork experiences and related networks in Africa or Europe are a plus. You enjoy working independently but you also embrace opportunities to discuss, interact, and collaborate with others.

## Interested?

We look forward to receiving your online application with the following documents:

- Letter of motivation (max. 1 page)
- CV (max. 2 pages)
- Diplomas
- Copy of your MSc thesis (or term paper if the thesis is not yet submitted)
- Summary of your MSc thesis (max. 1 page)
- 2 scientific references (and contact details) who can be contacted (no letters, please)

**You can apply online until January 12, 2022.** Please note that we exclusively accept applications submitted through our online application portal. Applications via email or postal services will not be considered. The link to submit your application will be published shortly. For updates, please check [ETH's job portal](#) or Twitter (@EvaMeemken). If you have any questions, please contact Eva-Marie Meemken ([emeemken@mailbox.org](mailto:emeemken@mailbox.org)).

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