The Center for Development Research (www.zef.de) is an international and interdisciplinary research institute of the Rheinische Friedrich-Wilhelms-University of Bonn, Germany. ZEF’s Department of Economics and Technological Change invites applications for the position of

1-2 Student Assistants/ Studentische Hilfskräfte 
(up to 19 hours/week)

for the BMZ-funded

Program of Accompanying Research for Agricultural Innovation - PARI

Based on the experiences and successes with research and innovation initiatives in African and Indian agriculture, and taking into consideration the concept of integrated agricultural research for development (IAR4D), PARI’s main goal is to contribute to sustainable agricultural growth and food security in Africa and India through the identification and assessments of potential innovations. The research is embedded within the German initiative to establish green innovation centers in Africa led by the German Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ). For more information see www.research4agrinnovation.org.

Expected tasks of the student assistant are to assist the PARI senior researchers in:

– Data entry
– Literature search and write up
– Administrative and organizational support
– Data mining and preparation
– Data visualization and basic statistical analysis

Requirements

– Level of studies: advanced Bachelor or early Master Student, preferably in agriculture, agricultural economics or related disciplines OR computer science, bioinformatics or related disciplines
– Experience or interest in sub-Saharan Africa is of advantage
– Experience with statistical software (e.g. MS Excel, SPSS or Stata) is of advantage
– Some knowledge of modeling and scripting with R (preferred) or Python is of advantage
– Very good speaking and writing skills in English on working level is compulsory (German & French an advantage)
– Ability to work independently, efficiently and target oriented
– Being familiar with organizational and scientific duties

ZEF / the Rheinische Friedrich-Wilhelms-University of Bonn is an equal opportunity employer and welcomes applications from female candidates and minorities.

Interested candidates should submit a letter of interest, their CV and relevant certificates latest by November 24, 2017 via email and as one PDF document (less than 5 MB) to: Julia Machovsky-Smid, jmachovs@uni-bonn.de, Center for Development Research ZEF, Genscherallee 3, 53113 Bonn, Germany. The receipt of all complete applications will be confirmed; however, only short-listed candidates will be informed prior to December 18, 2017.