

The *Climate and Development* group at the Mercator Research Institute on Global Commons and Climate Change (MCC) located in Berlin-Schöneberg is currently looking for

Student Assistants (m/f/d)

working 40 to 60 hours per month, starting at their earliest convenience.

Job requirements:

We are looking for talented team members who are passionate about research on climate policy. The successful candidates will contribute to ambitious, policy-relevant research on effective climate policies, socially just energy transitions and sustainable development with a focus on low- and middle-income countries.

Candidates should bring a strong motivation, active interest in our research and willingness to learn. We look for candidates that bring strong attention to detail and excellent organisational skills. We also value any previous experience with (quantitative) research methods, econometrics, programming in Python and/or R, or strong interest in learning. Contextual knowledge of Ecuador, Colombia, South Africa or Indonesia or proficient knowledge of Spanish or Bahasa Indonesian language would be an asset, but are no requirement.

Potential **tasks** comprise the support of data work in research projects on diverse topics such as carbon pricing and challenges for implementation, public perception and discourses of just transition, or distributional implications of climate policy. As part of a research team, the successful candidates may review academic articles in economics and political science, support other team members in auxiliary tasks, and engage with other opportunities conditional on individual skills and interests.

The **Climate and Development** working group is a team of researchers with interdisciplinary backgrounds, including economics, political science, and engineering. We investigate pathways for low-carbon development in low- and middle-income countries. Based on our scientific expertise, we aim at providing insights to policymakers, thereby supporting clean, feasible and just energy transitions. A detailed description of this group's work can be found here.

We **offer** flexible working times. Salary is in accordance to TV-L Stud with a weekly working time of 10 to 15 hours, depending on personal capacity and interest. Contracts are initially limited until the end of August, but we envisage filling positions for longer.

The **MCC** provides a collaborative working place environment that values diversity, tolerance and equity. Being committed to <u>equal opportunities</u>, we particularly welcome applications by women and other groups of people, which are frequently found to be underrepresented in research environments.

For more information about the institute, please visit http://www.mcc-berlin.net.

For further questions about this position, please contact Charlotte Bez (<u>bez@mcc-berlin.net</u>) or Leonard Missbach (<u>missbach@mcc-berlin.net</u>).

For application, please send your CV, copies of relevant certificates and a short letter of motivation (around half a page) in a single PDF to Charlotte Bez (bez@mcc-berlin.net) and Leonard Missbach (missbach@mcc-berlin.net). We aim to fill open positions on a rolling basis and look for candidates with different skills and backgrounds, covering qualitative and quantitative research tasks.