

The Alexander von Humboldt Professorship in the Department of Environmental Economics of the Faculty of Economics at the University of Osnabrück is seeking to appoint a

**Junior Researcher (m/f/d)  
(salary scale E 13 TV-L, 50%)**

The position is for two years (ends March 31, 2023).

**Description of responsibilities:**

- Research on the theme 'Sustainable consumption decisions in the context of telecoupling'. This includes the development, conduction and analysis of economic experiments for the understanding of consumption decisions, based on the example of cocoa/chocolate. An essential aspect will be an analysis on whether and how the use of virtual reality videos (360°) can contribute to a stronger consideration of social and ecological impacts in areas of cocoa production and to thereby motivate more sustainable consumption decisions.
- The work is embedded in a DBU-funded interdisciplinary project on the theme of "Sustainable Value Chains and Consumer Decisions – Analyzing the Effects of Governance and Product Biographies using the Example of Cocoa".

It is possible and encouraged to use the academic article(s) produced as part of the project as component(s) of a cumulative PhD thesis. The Professorship of Environmental Economics will provide support in securing funding for completing the PhD.

**Required qualifications:**

- Master in economics or psychology
- very good English and German language skills
- experience and/or interest in virtual reality technologies
- Experience with quantitative data analysis

**Desirable qualifications:**

- prior knowledge of behavioral economics
- experience in economic or psychological experiments
- interest in interdisciplinary cooperation
- ability to work both independently and as part of a team

**We offer:**

- as part of the Alexander von Humboldt-Professorship of Environmental Economics, an excellent scientific environment, a dynamic international team and the opportunity for exchange in international networks
- an interdisciplinary research environment on policy-relevant environmental

Osnabrück University is a certified family-friendly university and is committed to helping working/studying parents balance their family and working lives.

Osnabrück University seeks to guarantee equality of opportunity for women and men and strives to correct any gender imbalance in its schools and departments.

If two candidates are equally qualified, preference will be given to the candidate with disability status.

Applications including a letter of motivation, CV, three letters of recommendation, and degree certificates of university studies should be sent as PDF documents by e-mail to Ms. Laura Papendorf ([laura.papendorf@uni-osnabrueck.de](mailto:laura.papendorf@uni-osnabrueck.de)) by January 30<sup>th</sup>, 2021.

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