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[The Institute of Development Policy \(IOB\)](#) of the University of Antwerp is looking for a **full-time**

Doctoral scholarship holder to work on an impact evaluation study in Eastern DR Congo

The project title is “**The multidimensional impact of rural and urban electrification: economic development, security and conservation? Follow-up research in Eastern Congo**”. A project description can be found [here](#).

Job description

- You spend extensive periods in North-Kivu, DR Congo, to coordinate field work activities.
- You prepare a doctoral thesis in the field of Economics or Development Studies.
- You publish scientific articles related to the research project of the vacancy.

Profile and requirements

- You hold an advanced master degree in Economics, Development Studies, or a related discipline.
- Students in the final year of their advanced master degree can also apply.
- You can submit outstanding academic results.
- You are quality-oriented, conscientious, creative and cooperative.
- You are familiar with quantitative methods in social science research, in particular with causal identification strategies.
- You have experience in collecting and analysing micro-level data (household, firm,...).
- You have experience working with STATA, and preferably also with GIS software and with analysing geo-referenced data.
- An ability to combine quantitative with qualitative methods would be an asset.
- You are fluent in English and French. Knowledge of Kiswahili or a local language of North-Kivu province is a strong plus.

What we offer

- A doctoral scholarship for a period of four years, provided a yearly positive evaluation;
- The start date of the scholarship will be between June 1st 2021 and November 1st 2021; with possible participation in fieldwork activities already from March 2021 onwards (depending on your availability and/or travel restrictions).
- Your monthly scholarship amount is calculated according to the [scholarship amounts](#) for doctoral scholarship holders on the pay scales for contract research staff (Dutch: *Bijzonder Academisch Personeel*, BAP).

How to apply?

- You can apply for this vacancy through the [University of Antwerp's online job application platform](#) up to and including **February 4th 2021** (by midnight Brussels time). Click on the 'Apply' button, complete the online application form and be sure to include the following attachments: a **motivation letter and your CV, both in English**.
- The selection committee will review all of the applications as soon as possible after the application deadline. As soon as a decision has been made, we will inform you about the next steps in the selection procedure.
- If you have any questions about the online application form, please check the [frequently asked questions](#) or send an email to jobs@uantwerpen.be. If you have any questions about the job itself, please contact [Prof. Marijke Verpoorten](#), Marijke.verpoorten@uantwerp.be