

Research Assistant Position

The University of Warsaw, Faculty of Economic Sciences is seeking candidates for a research assistant to dr hab. Marek Giergiczny (<https://scholar.google.com/citations?user=zratqEMAAAJ&hl=pl&oi=ao>) to work on the project in NCN project OPUS22 "Development of a methodology for estimating ecosystem services".

Abstract of the project:

Ecosystems generate a range of goods and services important for human well-being, collectively called ecosystem services. Over the last twenty years, significant progress has been made in understanding how ecosystems provide services and how this translates into economic value. Yet, it has proven difficult to move from general statements about the very large benefits nature provides to people to credible, quantitative estimates of ecosystem service values. The main aim of the proposed research is to develop new approaches, based on revealed and stated preference methods, to value cultural ecosystem services.

The proposed research aims to achieve the following scientific goals:

- Develop a new ecosystem valuation framework to model site selection for recreation.
- Develop a new approach to value site characteristics by using models developed in economics.
- Test behavioural anomalies in a wide range of economic goods important in assessing cultural ecosystem services (e.g., value of time, recreational value, and non-use value).

The offer: scholarship of 5 000 PLN per month (flexible working hours) for 6 months (possibility to prolong the term), subject to an evaluation procedure after 2 months of employment. This scholarship can be combined with the base scholarship for PhD students at the University of Warsaw (Social Sciences PhD school, Quantitative Psychology and Economics PhD program) and other funding (conditional on involvement in advisor's research projects).

Main strengths of successful candidates:

- Interest in interdisciplinary scientific research (natural and social sciences),
- Good knowledge of econometrics/statistics,
- Computer programming or data science skills,
- Good command of English and academic writing.

Successful candidates might also have (preferable, but not a requirement):

- Knowledge of R environment or other statistical software
- Experience in academic research, writing/editing texts in English, econometric modelling,
- Knowledge of R environment or other statistical software
- Ability to work independently and self-motivate
- Interest in interdisciplinary research combining economics and environmental sciences
- Recommendations from academics or professionals
- Environmental, Economical or mathematics-related background

Main tasks involve estimating and mapping demand and supply for ecosystem services at the European level.

To apply, please send the following materials to m.giergiczny@uw.edu.pl: (1) cover letter describing your interest in the project and highlighting the related qualifications; (2) resume indicating academic

background, relevant coursework (preferably with transcripts / scores), language skills, and research and work experience; and (3) signed clause of personal data processing agreement.

Position can be combined with one of the Warsaw University PhD programs; feel free to consult with dr hab. Giergiczny regarding the application and a PhD research proposal.

The deadline for applications is 20th of September 2026. The results will be announced till 30th September.

More information:

Questions related to this position or preparing a PhD proposal: m.giergiczny@uw.edu.pl

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given and family name

Information on personal data processing

Controller

Controller of your personal data processed in connection with the recruitment process is the University of Warsaw, ul. Krakowskie Przedmieście 26/28, 00-927 Warszawa, as the Employer.

Contact with the controller:

- by traditional mail at: University of Warsaw, ul. Krakowskie Przedmieście 26/28, 00-927 Warszawa (name the organizational unit to which your letter is addressed);
- by phone: 22 55 20 355.

Data Protection Officer (DPO)

Controller has designated Data Protection Officer whom you may contact via email at iod@adm.uw.edu.pl. You may contact the DPO in all matters relating to your personal data processing by the University of Warsaw and the exercise of rights in relation to the processing of personal data.

The DPO, however, does not proceed other matters, like handling recruitment procedures, collecting recruitment documents, providing information on current recruitment process.

Purpose and legal grounds of data processing

Personal data of candidates for employment shall be processed for recruitment purposes only.

Your personal data shall be processed in the scope as indicated by employment law¹ (*given name (names) and family name, date of birth, contact information as provided, education, professional qualifications, previous employment*) for the purposes of this recruitment process², whereas other data³ shall be processed based on your consent which may take the following wording:

I agree to the processing of personal data provided in (e.g. CV, cover letter, and other submitted documents) by the University of Warsaw for realising my recruitment process.

¹ Art. 22¹ of the law of June 26, 1974 Labour Code (i.e. Journal of Laws 2019 item 1040 with subsequent changes);

² Art. 6 section 1 letter b of the Regulation of the European Parliament and the Council (EU) 2016/679 of April 27, 2016 on protection of individual persons with regard to the personal data processing and on the free flow of such data, and also repealing Directive 95/46/EC (general regulation on data protection) (Official Journal EU L 119 of 04.05.2016, page 1, with subsequent changes) (hereinafter as the GDPR);

³ Art. 6 section 1 letter a of the GDPR;

If your documents include data as mentioned in Art. 9 section 1 of the GDPR (special categories of personal data), processing shall be possible upon your consent to processing such data⁴ which may take the following wording:

I agree to the processing of special categories of personal data, as mentioned in Art. 9 section 1 of the GDPR, provided in(e.g. CV, cover letter, and other submitted documents) by the University of Warsaw for realising my recruitment process.

The University of Warsaw shall be also processing your personal data in future recruitment processes upon your consent⁵ which may take the following wording:

I consent to processing of my personal data for the purposes of any future recruitment processes at the University of Warsaw for the period of the next nine months.

You may revoke all such consents at any time by, for example, sending an email at m.giergiczny@uw.edu.pl (email address due for the recruitment process).

Be advised that the revocation of your consent does not affect legal compliance of processing which had been completed upon consent before its revocation.⁶

Data retention period

Your personal data collected in this recruitment process shall be stored over the period of three months from the date the recruitment process is completed.

In case you agree to process your data in future recruitments, your data shall be used over the period of nine months.

Data recipients

Officers authorized by the Controller shall have access to your personal data, the processing of which is in the scope of their duties.

Recipients of personal data may be other subjects obligated by the Controller to provide specific services involving data processing, like

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(name all recipients of data)

Data transfer outside the European Economic Area (EEA)

Your personal data shall be disclosed to subjects authorized by law. Signing-in is through Google Forms. Your personal data may be also processed by our provider of G-Suit for education by Google Company in their data processing centres.⁷ Your data shall be protected under the standards of the Privacy Shield, accepted by the European Commission.⁸ This shall guarantee an adequate level of data security.

⁴ Art. 9 section 2 letter a GDPR;

⁵ Art. 6 section 1 letter a GDPR;

⁶ Art. 7 section 3 GDPR;

⁷ <https://www.google.com/about/datacenters/inside/locations/index.html>

⁸ <https://www.privacyshield.gov>

Rights of the data subject

Under the GDPR data subjects have the following rights:

- to access data and to receive copies of the actual data;
- to correct (rectify) your personal data;
- to restrict processing of personal data;
- to erase personal data, subject to provisions of Art. 17 section 3 of the GDPR;
- to file a claim with the President of the Personal Data Protection Office, if you believe data processing violates law.

Information on the requirement to provide data

Providing your personal data in the scope resulting from law is necessary to participate in the recruitment process. Providing other personal data is voluntary.

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place and date

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applicant's signature