

Advertisement: Recruiting of Research Assistants

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The “Collaborative Research Centre 228: Future Rural Africa Future-making and social-ecological transformation” (hereafter CRC) (www.crc228.de) is a research programme at the Universities of Bonn and Cologne, in collaboration with several academic and research institutions in selected African countries, including Botswana University of Agriculture and Natural Resources. The research programme is interested in understanding emerging issues of socioeconomic changes along a changing socio-ecological landscape in parts of rural Africa.

As part of the CRC research activities, is planned to take be conducted in the rural areas of Chobe district. For this planned household survey, the CRC intends to recruit **Ten (10)** short-term research assistants (RAs) to support data collection.

Prospective RA applicants should (be):

- enrolled or hold a bachelor or masters program, preferably in economics, geography, environmental sciences or a related discipline, OR has experience in agricultural or health extension services.
- able to effectively communicate in English and at least one of the other local languages spoken in region (Setswana or Sesubiya).
- able to think logically and numerically in a short time frames
- have a willingness to stay in the research areas for the whole period of data collection (May & June 2023).
- Enthusiastic and able to make free flowing conversations with respondents with ease.
- Previous experience in conducting household surveys is highly desirable

The CRC provides competitive remuneration. Moreover, RAs currently studying their undergraduate or postgraduate studies might also take the opportunity of receiving mentorship and supervision from CRC researchers.

Interested candidates should send their application letters & resume as **Single file named as BN_RA_SURNAME** to **Dr.Melusi Rampart** (Botswana, Faculty of Natural Resources, Botswana University of Agriculture and Natural Resources) on melusirampart@yahoo.co.uk and Copy **Mr.Mfundo Mlilo** (University of Köln): mfundomlilo@gmail.com, by the latest **25th April 2023**. Interviews and training will be conducted in Kasane and training research assistants will take place between 8th and 13th May 2023. Data collection will commence thereafter.