

The Center for Development Research (ZEF), an international and interdisciplinary research institute of the University of Bonn, is offering a

### **doctoral research scholarship**

on understanding linkages between gendered power dynamics, different forms of gendered violence and pathways for sustainable agriculture in sub-Saharan Africa.

The doctoral research shall contribute to enhance understandings of how gender norms, agency, power dynamics and different forms of gendered violence interact to shape agricultural change at local levels. How do they affect women's and men's ability to access, adopt and benefit from innovations in agriculture? How is the normative climate changing over time and how is it influenced by climate change? Local knowledge about gender norms and other local conditions at micro- but also at meso-level shall be derived that can inform the targeting and scaling of agricultural innovations with the vision of enhancing equity along with other development objectives.

The research is part of the project INTERFACES, funded by the German Federal Research Ministry (BMBF). INTERFACES will support collective processes, that enable and contribute to gender-responsive transformative change between all relevant stakeholders, such as scientists, policy-makers and practitioners in Sub-Sahara Africa. It is expected to prepare and publish research papers in international journals and to submit a doctoral dissertation. The research involves travel to West Africa for data collection, cooperation with partners, and presentation of research results at conferences and workshops.

#### **Your profile:**

- Master's degree in gender studies, social sciences, agricultural economics, human geography, or related fields
- Experience with gender analysis and qualitative research methods. Experience with quantitative methods is an asset
- Interest in the agricultural sector and in working with different stakeholders. Prior experience in Africa would be a plus
- Excellent oral and written English language and communications skills, knowledge of French is an advantage
- Strong interpersonal skills and team spirit, ability to work independently, flexibly and to assume responsibility
- Willingness and ability to travel internationally and a high degree of cultural sensitivity

#### **We offer:**

- Stimulating international and interdisciplinary research environment in a young, diverse and dynamic team

- Full funding for field work, travel, and related research costs and support of personal career development
- An opportunity for application-oriented research in a highly relevant research area
- Excellent networks of national and international research partners

The stipend should start 1st April 2023, for a fixed term of 3.5 years. The research is led by Dr. Tina Beuchelt with a co-supervisor from Ghana and involves empirical research in West Africa. It is envisaged that the doctoral researcher will be integrated into ZEF's Doctoral Program (BIGS-DR).

The University of Bonn is committed to diversity and equal opportunity.

For further information, please contact Dr. Beuchelt (email: [beuchelt@uni-bonn.de](mailto:beuchelt@uni-bonn.de)). Please submit your application electronically, **in one single PDF-file**, to Dr. Beuchelt by **15 January 2023**, with the subject line "INTERFACES doctoral student position". Application documents should include a motivation letter, CV, transcript and certificate of Bachelor and Master's degree, title and abstract of the Master's thesis, names and contact details of two reference persons. Further details about ZEF and INTERFACES at [www.zef.de](http://www.zef.de).