

Vacature Advertentie

Referentie vacature ESG CL-0022
Vacature titel Assistant Professor in Spatial and Environmental Planning (Tenure Track)
Contact E-mail paul.opdam@wur.nl

Job Advert Details

Job Description

The Wageningen Land Use Planning group offers a challenging career path as an Assistant Professor in the field of spatial and environmental planning. As Assistant Professor you will develop an original and scientifically challenging research line and acquire funding for PhD's and postdocs, and supervise them to become a successful member of a research team. The new Assistant Professor will take a leading role in research and education on the spatial planning of landscapes in the interface between urban and rural land use systems. Your research will focus on communication, design and decision making of land use changes as a societal process based on the interdependency of social, ecological, and economic activities and the physical features of the landscape. Within the confines of the university, spatial planning is addressed as a discipline in the borderland between natural sciences, social sciences and the humanities.

Tasks and responsibilities

For being successful in this task, a leading position in an international network has to be built up. The candidate will teach courses in the frame of the spatial planning curriculum at the Wageningen University (BSc, MSc and PhD). Occasionally, the candidate will teach classes in other related Wageningen curricula and develop new courses under the supervision of the education committee.

Requirements

The successful candidate:

- is an ambitious and enthusiastic scientist and a team player, devoted to research and education in the domain of spatial and environmental planning of landscapes in the interface between urban and rural land use systems.
- holds a PhD in spatial and environmental planning or related fields
- has a strong, international track record in spatial and environmental planning, evidenced by a list of high quality peer reviewed publications
- has a long term vision on the field of spatial and environmental planning, with regard to both research and teaching, and is able to innovate accordingly
- has the ability to link theories in planning with knowledge on the social and physical environment and the spatial organization of landscapes
- has strong didactic skills and the ability to become an inspiring teacher
- has good communicative skills
- participates in an active (inter)national network
- has been successful in acquiring externally financed projects
- is willing to contribute to the general tasks of the chair group
- has the willingness to learn Dutch

Conditions of employment

Wageningen University and Research Centre (Wageningen UR) invites applications for an academic position at the level of tenure track assistant professor on the subject of spatial and environmental planning. We offer you as talented scientist a challenging career trajectory called Tenure Track. From the position of Assistant Professor you can grow into a Professor holding a Personal Chair. You will also be given the chance to build up your own research line. Of course, training and coaching are provided and interdisciplinary (international) cooperation is stimulated. As we will only be selecting outstanding candidates to take part in Tenure Track, this will be a good stepping stone to a further career within Wageningen UR or elsewhere.

We offer you a temporary contract for 38 hours per week, which can lead to a permanent employment contract. Gross Salary: from € 3195,- to € 4374,- based on full time employment and dependent on expertise and experience. For questions about this vacancy you can contact the chair of the selection committee, professor Paul Opdam, e-mail: paul.opdam@wur.nl. For more information about Tenure Track within Wageningen UR visit <http://www.wur.nl/UK/work>. Your application should be submitted online before the 4th of October 2010.

The organization

The Wageningen Land Use Planning group is embedded in the Environmental Sciences Group (ESG) of Wageningen UR, in which water, climate, ecological, land use, pollution, and geo-information based research is concentrated. The research program of the chair group contributes to the Wageningen School of Social Sciences (WASS) and the Netherlands Research School for the Socio-Economic and Natural Sciences of the Environment

(SENSE). The Land Use Planning group produces high quality research on spatial developments in metropolitan landscapes inside and outside the Netherlands. The group is one of the key contributors to the bachelor and master programs in Landscape Architecture and Planning and the master program in Urban Environmental Management at the Wageningen University. For more information on the Land Use Planning group visit www.lup.wur.nl.