



Student Assistant Position

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The Mercator Research Institute on Global Commons and Climate Change in Berlin offers two **student assistant positions to support research on climate policy in developing countries** (10 hrs/week, from March to December 2019).

The main tasks of the student assistants will be:

Position 1: Compile and analyze qualitative interview data

- Transcription of interviews on the political economy of energy policies
- Assisting discourse analyses for selected countries
- Support in conceptualizing a comparative cross-country discourse analysis

Position 2: Quantitative analysis of household data

- Preparation and cleaning of datasets using R, Python or Stata
- Matching household data to input-output models to estimate carbon footprints
- Support in the econometric analysis of distributional impacts of climate policies

Basic knowledge in climate change economics and solid English language skills are required. Previous experience in the respective research fields (e.g. discourse analysis or programming) are an asset.

For application please send your application to Mrs. Franziska Faber: [faber\(at\)mcc-berlin.net](mailto:faber(at)mcc-berlin.net) **including** a cover letter (motivation & explanation of related work experience, max. 1 page), CV and transcript of records.

The successful candidate be part of the working group '[Climate and Development](#)'. The contract duration will be limited to December 2019. An extension is possible and envisaged. Remuneration is according to "Studententarifvertrag des Landes Berlin" (10,98 €/hour). The position remains open until filled. Only short-listed candidates will be contacted for an interview.

Portrait of the MCC

MCC was founded in 2012 by Stiftung Mercator and the Potsdam Institute for Climate Impact Research (PIK) and since 2014 it is affiliated with the Technical University (TU) Berlin. Our research addresses the grand challenges of climate change and of governing the global commons. We aim to identify policy-relevant solutions from a social science perspective. Cooperation with high-profile international partner organizations provides a network of excellence and foster the high quality of the research at MCC. Within a few years, MCC has established itself prominently in the climate policy research landscape, ranked as No. 1 of climate think tanks in Europe.