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PhD student position in agricultural economics

The SMART unit is seeking a PhD student for a three year scholarship.

The SMART unit includes researchers from the French national institute of agricultural research (INRA) and lecturers from the agricultural university Agrocampus Ouest. SMART's main research interests relate to the analysis and evaluation of public policies in the fields of agriculture, food industry and environment. It is located in Rennes, France.

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The candidate will conduct research in the field of agricultural production economics. The objective is to understand farmers' investment behaviour depending on the position of the farm in its life cycle, and to assess the impact of policies on this behaviour and the impact of investment on farm performance. Theoretical and empirical work will be carried out. Theoretical modelling will be based on microeconomics. The empirical application will be based on individual panel data.

The PhD will take place in the frame of the chair between Agrocampus Ouest and the French bank Crédit Agricole. The PhD student, assisted by the PhD supervisors, will report annually to Crédit Agricole.

The PhD will start on October 1st, 2015.

The PhD will be supervised by Laure Latruffe and Aude Ridier.

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Interested candidates should send their application in English to Laure.Latruffe@rennes.inra.fr by May 31st, 2015. The application should include a cover letter, a CV, contact information of one reference person, the Master thesis, and published articles if available.

A Master diploma in agricultural economics, economics, or econometrics is expected.