



Job description - postdoctoral researcher

Keywords: Sociology; climate policy; semi-structured interviews; qualitative research.

1° Establishment : CNRS / CIRED

2° Contract terms :

Offer title: fixed-term contract at CNRS in sociology of political attitudes
Number of positions: 1
Workplace: CIRED, Nogent-sur-Marne
Publication date :
Type of contract: Scientific project contract.
Contract duration: 24 months.
Hiring date: January to March 2025.
Working hours: Full time.
Compensation: Between €2905 and €3331 gross per month, depending on experience.
Level of education required: Level 8 - (PhD).

3° Place of work :

The person will be based at the Centre international de recherche sur l'environnement et le développement (**CIRED**) in Paris (RER station Nogent-sur-Marne).
Remote working is also possible, in part or in full, including from abroad.

4° About the establishment :

CIRED¹ : An interdisciplinary center with a focus on economics, this facility brings together researchers working on development strategy and ecology. It brings together research on the possibilities of sustainable interactions between humans and non-humans, combining social and engineering sciences.

CNRS² : the Centre National de la Recherche Scientifique is France's largest public scientific research organization. It is active in all fields of knowledge.

5° Background :

This position is part of the "*cap and share*" research program, funded by the French National Research Agency (ANR) via the "Jeunes Chercheurs, Jeunes Chercheuses" call for projects. The aim of this program, covering the period 2025-2028, is to study the effects and reception of a hypothetical international climate policy, known as *cap and share*, consisting of capping and pricing CO₂ emissions and returning the resulting revenues in the form of an equal monetary transfer for each human, which would involve major North-South transfers.

¹ <https://www.centre-cired.fr/>

² <https://www.cnrs.fr/>

6° Missions :

The aim of this position is to reveal and analyze the attitudes of Americans and Europeans to climate change, extreme poverty and global redistribution.

Through videoconference interviews with a random sample of the population, the aim will be to establish respondents' attitudes, their determinants, and the factors or arguments that influence them.

This position will be carried out in close collaboration with a supervisor experienced in quantitative survey methods and attitudes to climate and redistribution policies (Adrien Fabre).

7° Activities :

He/she will be responsible for conducting 300 half-hour semi-structured interviews and 30 in-depth interviews in English. She/he will then transcribe and classify these interviews automatically (using tools such as Whisper and ChatGPT), code them manually, and analyze them statistically. The quantitative analysis of the interview data will be complemented by a narrative analysis of the 30 in-depth interviews. An integrative analysis will check whether the observations converge according to the method used. The work will culminate in one (or more) scientific publication(s).

8° Expected results and controls :

- Preparing, conducting and coding interviews.
- Quantitative analysis of recoded interview data.
- Narrative analysis.
- Comparison with the literature.
- Scientific publications.

9° Profile required :

Diploma required :

- **PhD** (or PhD defense before the end of 2024).

Mandatory operational competencies :

- **Experience in qualitative research**, particularly in conducting semi-structured interviews.

- Perfect **command of English**.
- Proficiency in data processing software such as R.

Additional criteria :

- Curiosity and imagination to challenge the team, for example by proposing radically different approaches.

10° Application procedures :

1° Selection of candidates on the basis of applications sent. CV, cover letter, and most accomplished article (or thesis manuscript) to be sent to Adrien Fabre (adrien.fabre@cnr.fr) before November 1^{er} 2024.

2° Interview. You will be asked to describe your research and discuss the proposed research proposal (which will be communicated to you in advance).