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## Senior Researcher for the Agrofood Economics Management Program

[ref. 138/22]

*IRTA is currently seeking an enthusiastic and motivated Senior Researcher with a PhD related to Economics, Applied Economics or Agricultural Economy to join the [Agrofood Economics Program](#). We invite applications from ambitious candidates with relevant research experience and passion to conduct research and innovation activities on socioeconomic analysis of issues related to the production, processing, and consumption of food products as well as the interactions of food system with natural resources and the environment.*

-  Head of the Program: Dr. Jose M<sup>a</sup> Gil
-  Job location: [CREDA](#)
-  Full-time position (37.5 h/week)
-  Terms of appointment: Permanent position
-  Salary: To be resolved according to the qualifications and experience of the selected candidate
-  Employee Benefits: 22 vacation days, 3 days of family & work conciliation, 45h of personal days, Friday afternoon off, Compressed Summer schedule from 15/06 to 15/09, Conciliation schedule.

### Tasks and Responsibilities:

- To design, lead and participate in public and private research projects in the field of Agro-food economics.
- To actively contribute to uptake R+D+I economic funds from both public institutions (competitive calls) and private agreements within the Agro-food sector.
- To write scientific papers and reports based on the research activity as well as to participate in technology transfer and/or advice activities addressed to both public and private sectors. Tangible results will be measured by the number of papers published in Impact factor Journals related to Agro-food economics, applied economics and economic analysis (specially in Q1) as well as by the number of citations.
- To develop and lead research relationships with other researchers belonging to national and international research centers and universities either from the socioeconomic area or from other research disciplines related to the Agro-food sector.
- To develop and maintain contacts with potential users of R+D+i activities along the food-supply chain as well to actively participate in dissemination activities.
- To contribute and collaborate in human capital formation by supervising PhD and master thesis on agro-food economics.

## Required qualifications and experience

- PhD in Economics, Applied Economics or Agricultural Economics
- Experience in participating in national and/or European projects from competitive calls
- **At least 20 publications** in Impact factor journals (JCR, SCOPUS) being the first or the last author
- Working knowledge of English (Knowledge of Spanish is not compulsory)

## Desirable requirements

- Good knowledge of quantitative methods (econometric models, time series econometric and/or mathematical programming tools) applied to modeling agricultural and food policies and markets.
- Good knowledge of microeconomic theory and agricultural and food policies
- Experience in using agricultural and food databases at local, regional, national, European and international levels.
- Experience in getting primary information: surveys, questionnaires, deep interviews, Focus groups, etc.
- Experience in Living Labs and Citizen Science will be considered as a plus.

## Languages

- Proficiency in English
- Catalan and Spanish are valued

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## Application process

If you wish to be considered for this position, please, apply via our [Recruitment Platform](#) to the job post with reference 138/22 and upload your CV and motivation letter. All information will be treated in the strictest confidence.

**Deadline for application:  
28/02/2023**

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Timings in the Recruitment Process of ref. 138/22 "Senior Researcher for the Agrofood Economics Management Program"

February 2023

Publication and diffusion of the job advertisement on IRTA's website, EURAXESS Jobs, social media and other specific recruitment places.

<b>5 following working days</b>	Distribution of the pre-selected CVs which matching eligibility criteria to the Recruitment Committee. Communication via e-mail with the not pre-selected candidates who will not be further included in the process.
<b>20 following working days</b>	Recruitment Committee: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Communication via e-mail with the not-selected candidates by the Recruitment Committee.</li> <li>- Interview with selected candidates by the Recruitment Committee.</li> <li>- Accord of the Recruitment Committee stating the selected candidate and detailed reasoning for the decline of the rest of the candidates.</li> <li>- Communication via e-mail with the interviewed and not-selected candidates</li> </ul>
<b>10 following working days</b>	Provision by the selected candidate of requested legal and official documentation to the HR department to coordinate the start of the candidate.
<b>First trimester 2023</b>	Start of employment

IRTA guarantees an open, transparent, and merit-based recruitment process (OTM-R) to all registered candidacies avoiding thus any bias on gender, origin, age, ideology, or other circumstances that could be discriminatory. Candidates in a situation of social exclusion will be considered in the first place.

*Please know that if you are the chosen candidate and you are from a country which does not belong to the UE, IRTA's Human Resources Department will support you to get the residence and working permits.*