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**Veterinary epidemiologist/risk assessor**

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**We are looking for**

**a veterinary epidemiologist/risk assessor** within the department of Bacteriology and Epidemiology of  Wageningen Bioveterinary Research, to contribute to and take the lead in multidisciplinary projects in a veterinary and One Health context. The core of our work concerns assessing risks of infectious diseases in animals, including zoonoses and antimicrobial resistance, as well as quantifying the effects of envisioned intervention policies.

**As a veterinary epidemiologist/risk assessor you will:**

* Contribute with your veterinary and epidemiological skills to ongoing projects on understanding and controlling infectious diseases including zoonoses.
* Analyse complex research questions by combining your veterinary and quantitative epidemiological skills.
* Employ your veterinary and epidemiological expertise to become actively involved in and/or manage (inter)national multidisciplinary projects.
* Develop and apply quantitative risk assessment and statistical models.
* Pro-actively seek to initiate new research projects to a degree matching your seniority and experience.
* Contribute to maintaining and extending our (inter)national network of clients and peers.
* Communicate research findings through reports, peer-reviewed publications and presentations.

**We ask**

**We seek a candidate with:**

* Academic training in veterinary medicine, life sciences or natural sciences, completed with a PhD degree based on quantitative research in Veterinary Science or Public Health.
* Preferably experience in statistical and/or quantitative risk assessment modelling.
* Proven interest in veterinary-epidemiological research, a research background showing scientific creativity and the ability to incorporate quantitative methods to address research questions.
* Good analytical skills.
* Ability to work in a project driven environment; experience in project management is a plus.
* Good communication skills, including communicating results in spoken and written form preferably in English.

You will be asked to deliver a Certificate of Good Conduct.

**We offer**

**Conditions of employment**

An appointment for 32-36 hours per week. Salary scale 10-11 of the CAO of Stichting Wageningen Research. Salary depends on experience (max. 4934 euro per month). The contract is for a period of 1 year with possibility of extension. The location is Lelystad.
The organization has good and flexible employment conditions, including good education and training facilities. You have the possibility to build up another 25 (compensation) days when you choose to work 40 hours a week.

**More information**

**Additional information’**

For additional information please mail to: clazien.devos@wur.nl or jose.gonzales@wur.nl

**You can apply** until March 4th. Please do not e-mail directly to the persons mentioned above, but use the website of Wageningen University & Research: <http://www.wur.nl/nl/Werken-bij/Vacatures.htm>

**We are**

Wageningen Bioveterinary Research (WBVR) is the Dutch national reference laboratory for notifiable animal diseases and a contract research organisation for various partners nationally and internationally. Our mission is safeguarding animal and human health through bio-veterinary research. With a team of 12 colleagues, the research of the Epidemiology group focuses on the following topics: design of surveillance systems for endemic and epidemic pathogens; assessment of infection and transmission risks; assessment of disease prevention and control strategies; designing, conducting and analysing transmission experiments; analysis of field data; evaluation of diagnostic tests; epidemiological consultancy. A wide variety of disciplines, including population biology, veterinary epidemiology, veterinary medicine, animal production and mathematics are represented in the team and used to carry out both specialised and multidisciplinary projects. Our expertise is complemented by that of in-house bacteriologists, virologists and bio-informaticians, with whom the group maintains close ties and co-manages joint projects. Co-operation with other scientific disciplines within and outside Wageningen UR allows for an integrated analysis of animal disease control in which also social acceptability and economic aspects are taken into account.