

The Center for Regional Economic Development ([CRED](#)) and the [Unit Economic Geography](#) in the Institute of Geography at the University of Bern invites applications for the following position:

Post Doc in Economic Geography Center for Regional Economic Development (CRED)

The **Post-Doc position** is for three years (renewable for up to 6 years). The successful candidate has demonstrated her or his potential to conduct high-quality research through publications or working papers suitable for publication in international journals. The successful candidate is expected to independently conduct academic and policy-relevant research and to collaborate in the Center's research, third party projects, and teaching activities. Travel to reputable international conferences is encouraged and covered by a dedicated budget. A sound command of oral and written English is mandatory; knowledge of German is considered a plus.

The Center for Regional Economic Development is an interfaculty hub for research associated with the Institute of Geography at the University of Bern. The work of the center's **Economic Geography** group focuses on research in the areas of entrepreneurship and innovation, digitalization and regional development, social innovation and regional development, and structural changes in urban and regional economies. We also have a strong policy orientation and work regularly with national and international policymakers. You can find more information about the group [here](#).

We offer a stimulating and team-based work environment, which provides opportunities to present at national and international conferences and workshops, network with scholars and practitioners and develop skills in advanced research methods, analysis and writing, teamwork and leadership.

The position

Starting date: November 2021-January 2022

Workplace: Institute of Geography, University of Bern, Switzerland

The salary is according to guidelines of the University of Bern.

Your responsibilities

- Conducting research
- Writing academic publications
- Supporting the group's teaching and administrative activities

Your qualifications

- Candidates for the Post Doc position should hold a doctoral degree in geography or economic geography or in a closely related discipline (economics, socioeconomics, sociology, history, political science, etc.).

- Candidates should be able to conduct high-quality research either qualitative or/and quantitative.
- Excellent language skills in English. German, French or Italian are a plus.

Your application

The application should include the following (one single PDF file):

- Letter of motivation
- Full CV
- Names and e-mail addresses of 2 references
- Copies of diplomas and diploma supplements
- Copy of the dissertation
- 1-page proposal about your research agenda

Deadline: October 22, 2021

The Post Doc position is part of the Unit Economic Geography in the [Institute of Geography](#) at the University of Bern (Professor Heike Mayer). The research group is active in the [Center for Regional Economic Development](#) (CRED) at the University of Bern. We currently work on a number of SNF-funded research projects. In addition, we are engaged in applied research and regularly provide expert advice to local, regional and national policymakers. For more information about the research group, please visit our [website](#).

The University of Bern has more than 19,200 students and offers a full range of fields of studies. For more information about the University as an employer, please visit this [link](#). Bern and the Bernese Oberland boast a high quality of life and offer numerous amenities such as urban swimming, hiking, skiing, etc.

For questions about the position, please contact Prof. Dr. Heike Mayer (mayer@giub.unibe.ch)

Please send your application to Therese Jost (therese.jost@giub.unibe.ch)