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Researcher/Scientist (f/m/d)

Institute for Crop and Soil Science (PB) – based in Braunschweig or Kleinmachnow

Application deadline: 8th June 2026 for the reference number: BS-PB-WA-19-26

The Julius Kühn Institute (JKI) conducts research aimed at enhancing the resilience, productivity, and sustainability of plant production systems. Within the framework of the "Sustainable Cropping Systems" working group, the JKI Institute for Crop and Soil Science focuses on the analysis, modeling, and improvement of the genotype × environment × management system in the context of climate change, taking into account both abiotic and biotic stress factors. We generate scientific evidence to advise the Federal Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Regional Identity (BMLEH) on all aspects of sustainable crop production.

Your responsibilities

- Analysis of long-term datasets regarding the development of cultivated areas and yields, taking into account genotype-environment-management interactions as well as biotic and abiotic stress factors in the context of climate change—utilizing, among other methods, mixed linear models and process-based agroecosystem models;
- Development and implementation of methodological approaches to explain yield trends and yield gaps in relevant crops in Germany;
- Preparation of project proposals and reports, as well as the presentation of concepts and project results;
- Close collaboration with our international team of scientists within a collegial working atmosphere;
- Publication of results at national and international conferences, as well as in national and international peer-reviewed journals.

Your profile

- A completed university degree (at least a master's degree, university diploma, or comparable qualification) in agricultural sciences or a comparable discipline/degree program;
- In-depth knowledge of and experience in statistical data analysis and modeling, preferably involving agroecosystem models or crop growth models;
- Experience handling large datasets and programming routines, preferably using R or Python;
- In-depth knowledge of arable farming and crop physiology;
- an eye for the essentials and the ability to communicate them clearly;
- Excellent command of written and spoken English, and—ideally—German;
- Experience with publishing in peer-reviewed journals and presenting research results at national and international conferences;
- the ability to work independently and responsibly, including strong organizational and communication skills as well as flexibility;
- Perseverance and enjoyment of scientific work in a team.

We offer

- a varied, challenging and interesting job in a goal- and solution-oriented and international working environment as well as working in a project team at the JKI;
- a full-time employment with 39 hours a week limited for 12 month. The time limit is in accordance with § 2 para. 1 Act of Academic Fixed-term Contract (WissZeitVG). Generally, various forms of part-time employment are possible. The employment contract will be based on the collective agreement for the public service (TVöD or TVöD-Ost depending on the location of work);
- remuneration according to salary group E 13 TVöD if you have the required qualifications and skills;
- starting date: 1st August 2026.





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The Julius Kühn Institute (JKI) is an equal opportunities employer. We live a culture of a diverse and cosmopolitan work environment. The JKI is committed to inclusion. Applications from people with disabilities are therefore expressly welcome and given special consideration in the selection process. The JKI promotes the reconciliation of work and family life and, since 2021, has been holding the **audit workandfamily** certificate ([audit berufundfamilie](#)). Where possible, we offer flexible working time models to reconcile work and family life. More information can be found [here](#).

The JKI subsidizes the Deutschlandticket for its staff, who can purchase it at a reduced subscription price of €23.28.

More information

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Applying online

Please apply via the INTERAMT job portal. To do so, click on the "**Online bewerben**" button on the INTERAMT page. The deadline for your application is 8th June 2026.

Please note that the language on the INTERAMT portal is German.

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Make sure to have uploaded all relevant documents for your online application by the application deadline.

If you have an international degree, please also enclose a certificate evaluation from the Central Office for Foreign Education (ZAB) with your application. If you do not yet have a certificate evaluation, you must apply for one if your application is successful. Further information can be found at <https://zab.kmk.org/en/statement-comparability>.

