Postdoctoral Position in

Environmental and Natural Resources Economics

Environmental zoning in a game theory setting

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CONTEXT

CESAER is a mixed research unit between AgroSup Dijon (engineering school in agricultural science) and INRA (French national research institute of agricultural science). It is mainly specialized in both sociological and economic analysis of rural spaces. This position will contribute to the research axis related to economic analysis of dynamics and planning of rural spaces. More particularly, the link between environmental zoning and the location of activities will be investigated in a game theory framework.

TOPIC

A number of works listed below are looking for a spatial-dynamic optimality of environmental policies. The main contribution of these works is to add a dynamic component into the more classical research of spatial optimality. It is particularly relevant for a policy aiming the regulation of use of a natural resource which renewal takes time. The main result of these works is to recommend the introduction of policy instruments that affect choices at the extensive margin (land-use taxes or land zoning) in addition to more classical intensity oriented instruments (spatially differentiated tax on inputs or outputs). This position will look for the robustness of this result with strategic agents. For this purpose, a game theory framework will be added into the picture. Two main approach could be investigated: spatial game and/or differential games.

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ADDITONAL INFORMATION

Salary of around (according to past experiences) 2 000 €per month.