

PhD position in health economics (Robert Koch Institute / FU Berlin)

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As part of the research training group '**One Health Approach for Soil-Transmitted Helminths**' funded by the German Research Foundation (DFG), **two PhD positions in health economics** are available at the **Robert Koch Institute (RKI)** in **Berlin**.

The research group is led by the Faculty of Veterinary Medicine at Freie Universität Berlin.

Project description

The aim of the PhD project is to develop and implement a high-quality **costing tool** for estimating the costs of government-led STH control programs.

Using the example of the National School-Based Deworming Program (NSBDP) in Kenya, the following objectives will be pursued:

- developing and refining a best practice costing methodology and a set of data collection instruments
- collecting relevant cost data at different administrative levels of the NSBDP,
- developing an interactive software tool that enables program managers to fully describe and visualize the costs of NSBDP activities under different STH control scenarios,
- and conduct a comprehensive cost analysis of NSBDP activities.

The project includes **three research stays in Kenya lasting several weeks** for development, piloting and data collection.

Requirements

- Master's degree in health economics or a related field
- Good knowledge of R

Application and further information

Further details on the research group, application procedures and details on the PhD in health economics can be found at:

<https://www.vetmed.fu-berlin.de/en/einrichtungen/sonstige/grk3096/index.html>

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