

Postdoc position

University of Latvia announces a full-time researcher (postdoc) position in Horizon Europe project **GeneBEcon - capturing the potential of Gene editing for a sustainable BioEconomy** coordinated by Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences (Call HORIZON-CL6-2021-ZEROPOLLUTION-01).

Organization:	University of Latvia	Contract:	Temporary
Research field:	Biological sciences (plant biotechnology)	Job status:	Full-time (40 h week)
Researcher profile:	Recognized Researcher (R2)	Starting date	01/09/2023 or until filled
Application deadline:	31/07/2023 23:00 - Europe/Brussels	Duration:	31/08/2025 (24 person months)
Location:	Riga, Latvia	Contact:	Prof. Nils Rostoks, nils.rostoks@lu.lv

Job description

The successful applicant will participate in the WP1 “Governance options for the use of New Genomic Techniques (NGTs) in the European Union”, specifically working towards Task 1.2: Data requirements for biosafety assessment of starch-enhanced, PVY-resistant potatoes and MAA-enhanced microalgae for biobased products under different governance options. Please, see more detailed description on the project website <https://genebecon.eu/>. The applicant will closely collaborate with WP1 leader - Wageningen University, The Netherlands, and Task 1.2. leader – Bundesamt für Verbraucherschutz und Lebensmittelsicherheit, Berlin, Germany. Part-time employment and mobile work at WP1 partner institutions may be possible depending on the specific tasks and the qualification of applicants.

Requirements for applicants

- PhD in agricultural/aquatic biotechnology, molecular biology of plants or biosafety research. Strong interest in regulation of biotechnology products, including genome-edited organisms is expected. Understanding of GMO regulation in the EU would be an advantage.
- Capable of independent research in the broad frame of the GeneBEcon project. Strong communication skills in English expected to collaborate with project partners and stakeholders. Ability to meet tight deadlines and deliver the expected outcomes.
- National or permanent resident of the EU or EEA.

Salary

Salary is in line with Horizon Europe standards and takes into account costs of living in Latvia and qualification of applicant. Please, enquire for more details.

Application form

Please, send your CV, brief motivation letter and references directly to prof. Nils Rostoks (nils.rostoks@lu.lv).