

## **Research Assistant (Anthropology / Sociology).**

We are hiring an anthropological research assistant to aid in conducting anthropological and sociological research on food systems, cosmology, and human-environment interactions among the highland communities, here with focus on Laya. The RA will be part of the EATWELL project and will be also attached to the Himalayan Centre for Environmental Humanities at Royal Thimphu College (RTC)

### Assignments:

- Will be closely working together with Prof Wim Van Daele during the year-long participant observation in the Laya community
- Translating during the interviews and everyday conversations and situations
- Translating and transcribing interviews
- Finding out about relevant events in the community
- Organizing logistics when moving around (e.g., horses)
- Joining in peoples' food related activities and reporting about it
- Safeguarding safety

### Obligatory requirements:

- Excellent knowledge of the English and Dzongkha language
- Experience in trekking at high altitude
- Interest for the topic and people
- Commitment from 1 October 24 to 31 December 25
- Flexible attitude and social skills

### Preferable requirements:

- Knowledge of the local language
- Experience in organizing treks.
- Training in socio-cultural anthropology
- Prior knowledge of the community

### We offer:

- Training in social anthropological fieldwork
- Experiences that will strengthen your CV
- Full-time position between 1 October 2024 and 31 December 2025
- A starting wage of 25.000BTN per month which may be increased depending on performance
- Hardship allowance of 10.000BTN per month of fieldwork, which will be paid only when the full fieldwork period is completed
- Coverage for expenses for travel, lodging and food
- Depending on performance, co-authorship in some of the publications
- Insurance