

Postdoctoral position in applied microeconomics (80%)

at the Institute of Economic Research of the University of Neuchâtel, Switzerland, with research interest in at least one of the following fields: energy economics, experimental economics, environmental economics, health economics.

Job starts: 1 September 2026

Term: 2 years + 1 year conditional on performance

Location: Neuchâtel, Switzerland

Job description: The position's objective is to write research papers and develop a portfolio of activities to apply for an entry-level professor position. The successful candidate will work under the supervision of Prof. Mehdi Farsi (<https://www.unine.ch/biographie/mehdi-farsi>) and benefit from a dynamic research environment, with ample opportunities for individual and collaborative research, acquisition of external research funds, and supervising MSc and PhD students. She or he will take an active role in the activities organized by the Institute (e.g., research seminars), participate in ongoing projects in relation with the SWEET consortium on Swiss energy research and its household survey (<sweet-cross.ch/sheds>).

Teaching responsibilities are concentrated in the fall semester and include an intensive Math-refresher class for 1st-year MSc students in Economics and Finance, organized in the 2nd week of September, a principles course in Economics (2 hrs. per week), and a master-level course in Behavioral Economics (1 hr. per week).

The University of Neuchâtel provides excellent conditions for research, and is conveniently located near the lake of Neuchâtel, with outstanding infrastructure and quality of life (see <https://www.unine.ch/etudier/en/why-study-at-unine/life-in-neuchatel/>). Salary is set in accordance with the regulation of the University of Neuchâtel.

Applicant profile: A doctoral degree (PhD) in Economics obtained after September 2023, or in the process of completion; advanced skills in applied econometrics and/or experiment design; excellent potential for peer-reviewed publications; and interest in applied research in at least one of the fields listed above.

Application procedure: Applications should include a cover letter describing the candidate's background and research interests, a CV with the contact of two references who can provide recommendation letters, and one research paper that illustrates the applicant's skills. Please send applications as a single PDF file to mehdi.farsi@unine.ch with the subject PostDoc_*your last name*.

The deadline for application is 8 March 2026. Only complete applications will be considered. Candidates who meet the requirements will be contacted by the end of March 2026, for further assessment and eventual interviews. The excluded candidates will not be notified individually.

For information about our institute please visit <https://www.unine.ch/irene/en/> If you need further information, please send your specific questions to Prof. Mehdi Farsi, before the application deadline. No enquiries will be answered after the deadline.

The University of Neuchâtel is committed to providing non-discriminatory working conditions and promoting equality of opportunity.