

Clermont-Auvergne University Call for postdoctoral projects "Sustainability Science" 2025-2026

The international rise of sustainability science is one of the most striking facts of the evolution of the global knowledge economy since the turn of the Millennium. A growing concern about the existential dimension of the systemic crisis that affects the Earth system, and a deepening awareness of the need for new forms of scientific engagement at the interface between socioeconomic actors, public policies, and societies, has led to the development of a vast community of research on sustainability, sharing a commitment to interdisciplinarity, multiscale analysis, and a resolute implication in solution-oriented research about the habitability of our planet.

Gathering Earth and Life Sciences, Engineering Sciences, Social Sciences, and Humanities, Sustainability Science aims to build a large alliance, open to a plurality of ways of producing and applying knowledges, in order to provide relevant answers to the challenges of our present. In France, several research institutions (IRD, CNRS, INRAE...) but also the National Research Agency (ANR), and a growing number of universities, have decided to embrace the cause of sustainability. This very word of sustainability is the shared horizon of the strategic project of our university. This is why we have decided to launch, in April 2024, a new Sustainability Science Centre, a lightweight structure aimed at enhancing the dialogue between research communities about sustainability.

In order to create a momentum about the questions, methods, and objects of sustainability science, the Sustainability Science Center launches a call for

6 postdoctoral contracts, each one for 15 months

starting in February-March 2025

The aim of those contracts is to develop innovative scientific projects, to share them within the local research communities, and to link them to the global community of sustainability science.

Closing date for application : 31 December 2024

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