Job Opportunity – WISEMED Project

Position: Research and Field Technician – Irrigation Efficiency and Sustainable Fertilisation
Project: WISEMED – Interreg NEXT MED Programme
Recruiting organisation: CEBAS CSIC

Work location: Murcia, Spain
Employment status: Full-time (100%)
Expected contract period: November 2026 – September 2028
Application deadline: 30th October 2026

1. About the Organisation and the WISEMED Project

CEBAS CSIC is involved in the implementation of WISEMED, a transnational cooperation project funded by the European Union under the Interreg NEXT MED Programme, focusing on sustainable water management and improved irrigation practices in Mediterranean agriculture.

WISEMED addresses the challenges of water scarcity, agricultural water-use efficiency and the sustainable management of water resources. The project promotes the development, testing and demonstration of innovative approaches to irrigation management, water reuse and sustainable agricultural practices.

Through cooperation between research institutions, agricultural stakeholders and technology providers, WISEMED seeks to strengthen the adoption of practical solutions that improve water productivity, resource efficiency and the resilience of Mediterranean agriculture.

2. Position Description

We are seeking a motivated **Research and Field Technician** to support experimental and demonstration activities within the WISEMED project.

The successful candidate will contribute to the development and validation of strategies aimed at improving agricultural water-use efficiency through optimised fertiliser application, crop management and plant cover practices.

The position combines practical agricultural fieldwork with technical support for research and innovation activities.

3. Main Responsibilities

The selected candidate will undertake the following tasks:

- Support field trials and validation activities related to irrigation efficiency and next-generation fertilisers.
- Carry out crop management activities under field conditions, including pruning, crop maintenance and pest and disease control.
- Support irrigation scheduling, water application and fertiliser management.
- Assist in the implementation and monitoring of experimental practices involving plant cover and improved water management.
- Collect and organise technical information and field observations to support the evaluation of experimental results.

- Collaborate with researchers and technical staff in the implementation of WISEMED activities.

4. Required Qualifications, Skills and Experience

Essential qualifications

- Advanced Vocational Diploma / Higher Level Vocational Training qualification in Industrial Chemistry (*Técnico Superior en Química Industrial*) or an equivalent qualification.
- Ability to undertake technical activities in agricultural field conditions.
- Organisational skills, attention to detail and the ability to work effectively as part of a multidisciplinary team.

5. Employment Conditions

- **Type of employment:** Full-time position (100%).
- **Expected starting date:** November 2026, subject to completion of the recruitment process.
- **Expected contract end date:** 30th September 2028, corresponding to the scheduled completion of the WISEMED project.
- **Workplace:** [Murcia, Spain], with possible travel to agricultural demonstration sites and experimental facilities.
- **Salary and other conditions:** According to the applicable employment regulations and the recruiting organisation's salary framework.

6. How to Apply

Interested candidates should submit their applications by **30 October 2026** to:

jalarcon@cebas.csic.es

Applicants should provide:

1. An updated Curriculum Vitae (CV), detailing relevant qualifications and professional experience.
2. A brief cover letter explaining their motivation and suitability for the position.
3. A copy of the required academic or vocational qualification.
4. Any additional supporting documentation demonstrating relevant technical experience, if available.

Applications should include the reference **"WISEMED – Research and Field Technician"** in the email subject line or application form.

7. Equal Opportunities

The recruiting organization CEBAS CSIC is committed to equal opportunities and encourages applications from suitably qualified candidates regardless of gender, age, nationality, disability or other personal characteristics, in accordance with applicable legislation.

This position is associated with the "WISEMED project, funded by the European Union under the Interreg NEXT MED Programme."