JOB ANNOUNCEMENT / CALL FOR POSITIONS

The Swiss National Centre for Competence

LIVES: Overcoming Vulnerability in the Life Course

announces

6 Post-Doc Positions

When not specified, the working place is either the University of Geneva or Lausanne.

The new Swiss National Centre of Competence in Research LIVES on Life Course and Vulnerability starting the 1st of December 2010 offers a number of positions to outstanding post-doctoral researchers in the field of social sciences. We analyse stressful life conditions, individual resources and their activation, and well-being outcomes. Our aim is to combine advanced interdisciplinary basic research with efficient social policy interventions in order to contribute to a sustainable societal environment for human development. We offer post-doc researchers to be part of one or more research projects within LIVES, to benefit from a constant interaction with younger and advanced colleagues, to diversify and increase their scientific experiences. The scope of the new Centre is interdisciplinary and stimulates international scientific publications and exchanges.

Post-Doc positions in sociology, economic, or psychology/clinical psychology:

100% Post-Doc position requiring a background in economics: evaluation of labor market program, solid knowledge in micro-econometrics and some experience with subjective well-being data.

100% Post-Doc position requiring a background in economics, socio-economics, or an equivalent social sciences degree with an interest in education economics and labor market issues, family and employment research, experience with quantitative empirical analyses. Knowledge in career research would be an asset. Proficiency in at least two of the Swiss National Languages and English is required.

100% Post-Doc position (starting on January 1, 2011)

Candidates should have a PhD (or equivalent) in social psychology or sociology. Strong skills in quantitative empirical analyses are required, in particular with respect to survey research using regression and multilevel models. Further experience with qualitative approaches, as well as experience with research on life courses, vulnerability, intergroup relations, social representations or political attitudes, are welcome. Candidates should be able to read and write in both French and English; knowledge of German is an additional asset.

30% Post-Doc position for 4 years requiring a background in psychology, expert knowledge in gerontology (ageing and gender; well-being; biographical transitions and turning points; extensive experience in research coordination; excellent knowledge of German and English. The position is located at University of Bern.

40% Post-Doc position requiring a background in sociology, demography, social science history or psychology with special skills in the statistical modeling of longitudinal data or PhD in Statistics or Computer science with solid experience in the study of life course data.

80% Post-Doc position requiring a background in social psychology and strong competences in quantitative and longitudinal methods. Experience with large panel data and methods and an interest in stress and critical life events are essential.

Languages: Proficiency in English is necessary, communication skills in more than one Swiss national languages is desirable.

Starting date: 1st of January 2011 or to be agreed on

Contract duration: 2 up to 4 years

Deadline for application: 15th October 2010

Please send a curriculum vitae and a motivation letter specifying your main theoretical interests to Mme Doris

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