

Post-doctoral and PhD position in Economics(M/F)

Ref.: Post-doc/PhD WealthPort 2012-01

Activities

CEPS/INSTEAD invites applications for a post-doctoral and doctoral scholarship to work in applying concepts of inequality, discrimination, labor market attachment and household economic portfolios to wealth data.

The candidate will be employed by CEPS/INSTEAD and will be financially supported by the Luxembourg National Research Fund (FNR) under the “AFR - Aides la Formation-Recherche” scheme.

Details of the scholarship and application deadlines can be found on the FNR website under ”AFR Postdoc / PhD Grants”

(<http://www.afr.lu/en/AFR-Grants-Activities/AFR-PhD-and-Postdoc-Grants>)

The ideal candidate’s research project will include methodological research (measurement and modeling) and empirical, micro-econometric analysis of survey data with particular reference to gender, immigrant assimilation and wealth measurement issues.

The researchers will collaborate with a small team of researchers and will be expected to develop her/his own research activities within this project.

The post-doc is also expected to be involved in consulting and training activities for CEPS/INSTEADs visiting researchers and, possibly, CEPS/INSTEADs post-graduate trainees.

The ideal post-doc candidate holds a PhD in a social science discipline preferably in economics with quantitative/micro-econometric orientation. She/he is familiar with the handling and analysis of large-scale survey datasets.

The candidate must be able and willing to carry out independent research suitable for publication in international peer-reviewed journals.

High-level computer literacy and experience with statistical packages (SAS and Stata in particular) is demanded. Proficiency in English (both oral and written) is required. Knowledge of French is an asset. This call for applicants is on-going.

Application

Applications must be submitted in English and should include the following:

- ◆ A cover letter briefly describing the applicant’s interests and expertise and summarize relevant experience
- ◆ A detailed curriculum vitae with a complete list of publications or projects (if available)
- ◆ Two reference letters

Send the CV with an accompanying letter Carole Stefanuto to the address below. Please refer to this announcement as 'Postdoc WealthPort (2012-01)' or 'PhD WealthPort (2012-01)'.

In addition, for the post-doc position, as explained above, the successful candidate is expected to develop independent contributions to our research projects, which include elaborating on the concepts of inequality, discrimination, labor market attachment and household economic portfolios with wealth -an additional dimension of well-being. A successful project would consist of methodological and empirical component based on survey data for Luxembourg (or other countries) with particular reference to gender and immigrant assimilation or issues in wealth measurement. We therefore request applicants to draft and submit a research proposal that would fit in our overarching project. The quality of this proposal and its compatibility with our research program will be our main selection criteria. The proposal should motivate a (set of) research question(s), outline current state of knowledge in the field, provide indication of projected analysis (theoretical and/or empirical), outline data requirements and methodology, and describe projected outcomes.

The selection will initial be made by CEPS/INSTEAD on the basis of this application file.

At a second stage, the selected candidate will be invited to provide additional information and prepare a full proposal to be submitted, jointly with CEPS/INSTEAD, to the Luxembourg National Research Fund who will make the final funding decision (see the FNR website for details on conditions and application forms).

About CEPS/INSTEAD

CEPS/INSTEAD is a multi-disciplinary research institute and data producer originating from a private, non-profit organization founded in 1978. It is based in Esch-sur-Alzette (Luxembourg). Its international research staff is composed of sociologists, social policy analysts, economists, statisticians, geographers, demographers and psychologists.

Its missions, as defined by law, are to:

- ◆ conduct and organize cross-sectional and longitudinal studies of populations, poverty and socioeconomic policy;
- ◆ create, manage and utilize data bases with national and international comparative scientific data;
- ◆ develop instruments of analysis, modeling and simulation for socio-economic policy;
- ◆ develop and improve data-processing tools, within the sphere and subject matter envisaged by the present law;
- ◆ create and maintain inter-regional and international research and information networks with regard to technology, environment, alternative development and development;
- ◆ organize, at the post-graduate level, training relevant to the proposed research.

Working languages are French and English.

For more information, see the CEPS/INSTEAD website (in French) at <http://www.ceps.lu> and WealthPort website (in English) <http://wealthport.ceps.lu/>.

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