



Social Order and Life Chances in Cross-National Comparison

Cologne Research Training Group - SOCLIFE 2008-2013

Kölner DFG-Graduiertenkolleg *Sozialordnungen und Lebenschancen im internationalen Vergleich*

Full Post-Doc position for a social scientist for 2 years, beginning October 1, 2008 (state employees salary scheme, TV-L 13)

SOCLIFE is an interdisciplinary Graduiertenkolleg bringing together more than 10 professors from the University of Cologne from different fields of the social and economic sciences, statistics and law as well as at least 10 collaborating experts from other universities in and outside of Europe. Cross-national comparisons are a research strategy common to many disciplines. But there are different types of comparisons with strengths and weaknesses. SOCLIFE aims at bringing together these approaches using multi-level research designs and types of analysis. For more info see: www.wiso.uni-koeln.de/cgs/soclifc.

Applicants for the Post-doc Position preferably have a background in sociology, political science, or economics. The holder of the position would have responsibilities in teaching and in coordinating SOCLIFE's data bank project. This data bank is supposed to include macro level indicators across countries and over time according to a unified methodological standard. Applicants should be acquainted with substantial research using macro level data/indicators from their PhD or other research projects. He or she should have good knowledge of existing data sources. He or she should have a good proficiency in English. Knowledge of German is not a prerequisite, but is an advantage for a 2 year stay in Cologne.

The application should include

- a curriculum vitae,
- copies of the certificates of the PhD and Master's degrees (or of an equivalent),
- a summary of the PhD-thesis of 2-3 pages,
- a list of publications,
- other relevant information and
- a statement of purpose related to the above mentioned tasks and his or her own ideas on how to develop and document a data base for country level indicators.

The application deadline is July 15, 2008. The position is beginning October 1, 2008.

The applicant is expected to stay and live in or around Cologne on a permanent basis.

Detailed information on SOCLIFE, the contributors and the research focus:

www.wiso.uni-koeln.de/cgs/soclifc.

The application should be sent by land mail to:

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Prof. Dr. Heiner Meulemann, Greinstr. 2, 50939 Köln.