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Postdoctoral Fellowships at the Cluster of Excellence “The Politics of Inequality”

(fulltime, Salary Scale E13 TV-L)

Reference Number 2019/244. The Cluster invites applications for Postdoctoral Fellowships for a duration of **12 months each**, during which Fellows will pursue individual research projects. The earliest **starting date** is **1 October 2020**. In principle, each position can be divided into two part-time positions. We explicitly encourage candidates from Non-OECD member countries to apply.

The University of Konstanz has been successful in the German Excellence Initiative and Excellence Strategy since 2007.

“The Politics of Inequality” is a Cluster of Excellence at the University of Konstanz. The Cluster’s researchers investigate inequality in areas such as education, employment and political rights. They study how people perceive these inequalities, how they lead to collective mobilization, and how political actors respond to them.

Applications are open to excellent postdoctoral researchers (minimum requirement: doctoral thesis submitted) with a keen interest in the Cluster’s concepts and lines of research. We are looking for individuals who are expected to have a strong impact on the field of inequality research in the years to come. We encourage open-minded candidates interested in interdisciplinary research with the ability to actively seek collaborations beyond their own discipline.

Fellowship

- Opportunity to pursue individual research projects
- Membership in the Cluster “The Politics of Inequality”
- Research allowance i.e. to finance conference travels and research assistants
- Opportunity to benefit from the Clusters’ Methods Hub and from the university’s Academic Staff Development unit
- Fellows are expected to actively participate in Cluster activities

Application documents

- Proposal for a research project (max. 4 pages) to be pursued during the fellowship
- Curriculum Vitae and a list of publications
- Certification of a completed doctoral degree or submitted thesis (issued by the main doctoral advisor)
- Names of two potential referees
- The Research Proposal should include information on the research question(s), methods, potential follow-ups, the feasibility and relevance of the project and its fit with the Cluster’s interests.
- The application may include a short letter of motivation detailing the reasons why becoming a Fellow would be especially helpful to the applicant’s career and research, and to the Cluster.

Please arrange your application documents into a single PDF file to submit your application via our **Online Application Portal**. The deadline for application is: **19 January 2020, 12:00 CET**. For further information, please contact the Managing Director, Jessica Haase: jessica.haase@uni.kn.

For more information on the Cluster, please visit: <http://inequality.uni.kn>. For Frequently Asked Questions, please consult the **FAQ section**.

The University of Konstanz is committed to ensuring an environment that provides equal opportunities and promotes diversity as well as a good balance between university and family life. As an equal opportunity employer, we strive to increase the number of women working in research and teaching. We also support working couples through our dual career programme (<https://www.uni-konstanz.de/en/equalopportunities/family/dual-career/>). Persons with disabilities are explicitly encouraged to apply. They will be given preference if appropriately qualified (contact + 49 7531 88–4016).