

Max Planck Institute for the Study of Religious and Ethnic Diversity

Max-Planck-Institut zur Erforschung multireligiöser
und multiethnischer Gesellschaften



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The Max-Planck Institute for the Study of Religious and Ethnic Diversity in Göttingen is seeking as soon as possible a

Quantitative Social Scientist

to work on projects concerning the development of attitudes and practices among a variety of ethnic, religious and class-based groups in highly diverse settings (such as markets, schools and organizations).

Duration of position: 3 to 5 years

Qualification:

MPI-MMG is seeking a social scientist with skills and experience surrounding quantitative research design and analysis. The successful applicant will be at the centre of a multi-disciplinary project entailing European comparative surveys on questions concerning socio-cultural diversity and social capital.

Applicants must have;

- a Ph.D or equivalent in a relevant social science such as Sociology or Political Science;
- strong quantitative research skills, including experience in research and analysis using advanced statistical methods (especially multi-level modeling) and relevant software packages (such as STATA, Mplus, HLM, etc.);
- familiarity with sampling methods and questionnaire design;
- familiarity with secondary data analysis;
- ability to implement and oversee large scale surveys;
- ability to work in multi-disciplinary and multi-national teams with senior and junior colleagues;
- ability to write and convey social scientific findings in a clear and cogent way, and a good record of publication.

Also highly desirable would be any of the following:

- experience planning and managing research projects;
- familiarity with literature and techniques surrounding the measurement of social capital and social networks;
- skills in innovative data visualization;
- skills in agent-based modeling.

Salary and benefits are according to the German public service pay scale (TVÖD Bund).

The Max Planck Society wishes to increase the participation of women wherever they are underrepresented; therefore, applications from women are particularly welcome. Following its commitment to an equal opportunities employment policy, the Max Planck Society also especially encourages handicapped persons to submit their applications.

Interested scientists should send their applications in writing, including a CV, list of publications and a statement of research interests by 13 June, 2008. Applicants should also arrange for three recommendation letters to be received by the same date at the following address:

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