

National Center of Competence in Research –
The Migration-Mobility Nexus

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The National Center of Competence in Research **nccr – on the move** aims to enhance the understanding of contemporary migration patterns. Transcending disciplines, the NCCR brings together research projects from the social sciences, economics and law. Managed from the University of Neuchatel, the network comprises eleven Higher Education Institutions in Switzerland.

At the University of Neuchatel we have an open position for a

Postdoctoral Researcher (80 % FTE)

Short description of vacancy: The start date will be 1 November 2018 (or as agreed upon), for an initial appointment of 30 months that could be prolonged up to four years, subject to funding. The successful applicant is expected to contribute to a research project on post-retirement international mobilities, transnational lifestyles and care configurations, under the supervision of Prof. Eric Crettaz and Prof. Mihaela Nedelcu.

The main tasks performed by the candidate will be the following:

- Literature review and participation in survey design
- Collaboration with the partner institutions in charge of carrying out the surveys
- Control of survey data quality and plausibility, statistical analyses
- Analytically combine statistical results with information stemming from qualitative interviews
- Co-write scientific articles and conference papers
- Co-organize fieldwork in various countries

Requirements:

- Doctorate in social sciences (preferably quantitative sociology) or demography, dealing with mobility and migration issues, defended no later than four years ago (date of viva voce);
- Command of multivariate statistics and of a widely-used statistical software, preferably STATA;
- Knowledge of qualitative research methods would clearly be an advantage, as the project relies on a mixed methodology;
- Command of English is a necessary condition, good knowledge of French and/or Spanish would be an asset;
- Interest in interdisciplinary collaborations with PostDocs and other nccr – on the move collaborators in the framework of different NCCR events. Regular attendance of events at the University of Neuchatel, or elsewhere in Switzerland, is expected.

Benefits: The salary is in accordance with the regulations of the Swiss National Science Foundation. The nccr – on the move offers attractive working conditions, including support measures for researchers with childcare duties.

Employer: The position is based at the University of Neuchatel. The University of Neuchatel is an Equal Opportunities Employer. Qualified women and candidates with a migration history are encouraged to apply.

Submitting application: Applications (letter of intent, CV, names of two referees, a writing sample) should be submitted before 4 May 2018 to eric.crettaz@hesge.ch (also for queries).