

The **Institute of Political Science**, Department of Social Sciences, at the Goethe-Universität Frankfurt am Main, is seeking a

Postdoctoral Fellow E13 TV-GU (100%)

Applications are invited for a postdoctoral fellowship, starting **July 1st 2017**, lasting 3 - 6 years. The fellowship is open to individuals of all nationalities. The post-holder will be part of the Research Unit on ‘Democratic Innovations’ headed by Professor Brigitte Geissel, chair of German and European politics. (See for more information: in German: <http://www.fb03.uni-frankfurt.de/42424030/bgeissel>; in English: <http://www.goethe-university-frankfurt.de/53879167/bgeissel>).

The fellow should work on democratic innovations, broadly conceived. Applicants whose research is empirical and comparative are especially welcome.

Duties of the post

- to engage in independent advanced study and research on questions of democracy
- to publish research results regularly (peer reviewed journals)
- to actively support the activities of the Research Unit on Democratic Innovations: this includes working on funding applications, international networking, and promotional activities
- to teach, supervise, and advise students (B.A. and M.A.), which includes responsibility for student examination
- to assume administrative tasks

Terms and conditions

The term of the contract is 3-6 years. Hessen Law accounts for the contract’s time limitation (“Wissenschaftszeitvertragsgesetzes”). The start date is July 1st 2017 or later. Personal office space will be provided in the Institute of Political Science.

Selection criteria

- completion of an excellent doctorate in a relevant discipline
- thorough knowledge of current theories of democracy
- advanced skills in quantitative methods
- proven experience in theory-driven, empirical research on democratic innovations
- excellent knowledge of spoken and written English
- basic knowledge of German
- experience of and commitment to working in a team
- evidence of motivation and reliability

How to apply

Applicants must submit the following:

1. Up-to-date CV;
2. Cover letter;
3. Two-page summary of current and planned research.

Deadline

The closing date for applications is 17:00 CET on **March 31, 2017**. Completed applications should be emailed to the Dean of the Department of Social Sciences, Prof. Sigrid Roßteutscher, PhD, referencing code number **12/2017** dekanat.fb03-bewerbungen@soz.uni-frankfurt.de.