

Call for Applications

For the research project Dahrendorf Forum 2017-2019 “The future of Europe: Strategic options for an era of uncertainties” which is co-directed by Professor Helmut K. Anheier, President,

the Hertie School of Governance is looking to hire a full-time (100%)

Postdoctoral Fellow (f/m)
European Studies – with focus European Governance

Wissenschaftliche(r) Mitarbeiter(in) - Postdoc-level
Europastudien – mit Schwerpunkt Europäische Governance

The contract duration is 24 months with an earliest start date as of **1 September 2017**. Remuneration will be in line with E 14 TV Land Berlin.

About the Dahrendorf Forum:

Since 2010, the Hertie School of Governance and the London School of Economics and Political Science (LSE) have jointly worked to create bi-annual symposia and public research projects in honour of Lord Dahrendorf. The Dahrendorf research project, funded by Stiftung Mercator, is designed to continuously promote outstanding research and debate on global politics and Europe through the interaction from academics and policy-makers via publications and events (please see www.dahrendorf-forum.eu for more information). The Dahrendorf Forum has previously addressed different aspects of the European project. The fourth ‘cycle’ will have two working groups; one located in London looking at the future of European governance (Chairs: Kevin Featherstone, Iain Begg of the London School of Economics and Political Science) and the other in Berlin examining Europe’s societal change and politics (Chairs: Helmut K. Anheier, Andrea Römmele of the Hertie School of Governance). The Postdoctoral Fellow will play an active role in the Dahrendorf Forum team based at the Hertie School, as well as being a central element of the inter-institutional partnership with the LSE through close collaboration with the London-based Dahrendorf Team and Postdoctoral Fellow.

Your tasks:

- Conduct research on better understanding the rise of populism, societal change and politics in Europe, Euroscepticism vs. European identity-building, the relationship between European societies and their respective political systems, migration and refugees, as well as the impact of globalization;
- Produce relevant scholarly articles and practitioner friendly reports, also jointly with other members or the Dahrendorf team, especially the second Postdoctoral Fellow affiliated with the working at the Hertie School, who will be based at the LSE;
- Synthesise research outputs and translate into accessible, policy relevant formats;
- Lead a Research Associate;
- Engage effectively with policy makers and practitioners;
- Present research findings at international Dahrendorf outreach events;

- Interact with other members of the Working Group at the two partner institutions and other locations;
- Initiate and sustain links with external bodies to foster collaboration.

Your profile:

- An excellent PhD in social sciences (political science, sociology, or other)
- A peer reviewed publication or publication potential
- Ability to form your own research that contributes to the project and the broader research in the team in a substantive way
- Strong analytical skills
- A sound understanding of the rise of populism, societal change and politics in Europe
- Knowledge of the EU system, comparative European governments and governance, Euroscepticism and European identity studies, the relationship between European societies and their respective political systems, comparative populism studies and electoral trends in Europe, the impact of globalization on national politics, as well as migration studies and the refugee crisis
- High motivation, track record in working independently and in a team
- Experience in linking academic research with practitioner-oriented recommendations
- Experience in leading a research team and project
- Experience in organizing events
- Fluency in English (spoken and written), working language at the Hertie School

About us:

The Hertie School of Governance is a Berlin-based private international teaching and research centre of excellence that prepares students for leadership positions in government, business, and civil society. An internationally-recruited faculty interdisciplinary in outlook, research, and teaching, it offers analytically-challenging and practice-oriented courses on governance, policy analysis, management, and leadership. As a professional school, Hertie School faculty has a strong commitment to high-quality teaching. Our goal is to help students grow intellectually in a professional, research-intensive environment, characterized by public debate and engagement (s. www.hertie-school.org for further information).

We offer a stimulating international and diverse environment in multiple areas of social science, high-quality teaching and public policy. The Hertie School is a vibrant academic community that emphasizes excellence in research and teaching as well as an interdisciplinary perspective. Our school has been certified as a family friendly work environment in higher education and an equal opportunity employer.

To apply:

Please send your application using the headline “Application: Dahrendorf PostDoc – WG 2” and including CV, and a cover letter of up to 2 pages stating your background, research plans and academic interests via email to Gesa-Stefanie Brincker, Manager of the Dahrendorf Forum, at brincker@hertie-school.org by **31 May 2017**.

Please note that only top-listed candidates will be contacted. Thank you for your understanding.