Call for applications

The European University Viadrina Frankfurt (Oder), Faculty of Social and Cultural Sciences, invites applications for a joint professorship under the Jülich model with the Leibniz Institute for Research on Society and Space (IRS), Erkner, to be filled in the summer term 2023 for a

W3-Professorship for Historical Urban and Spatial Research

In connection with the leadership of the research area “Contemporary History and Archive” at the IRS in Erkner.

Applicants are expected to conduct research on the development of cities and regions from a historical perspective, with a focus on Socialist societies and their transformation. We are looking for a) a renowned historian with a profound knowledge of the social sciences, or b) a social scientist doing historical research within disciplines that are relevant to this position (e.g. human geography, urban planning, history of art, history of architecture, or sociology).

Given the profile of the Faculty of Cultural and Social Sciences and of the IRS, the ideal candidate is expected to:

- have excellent expertise in theories and methods of historical and social sciences
- have a distinguished profile in contemporary Urban and Social History
- have distinctive leadership and management competences
- have experience in the acquisition and management of third party funded projects
- have experience in knowledge transfer and science communication
- be interested in teaching courses within the study programs of the Faculty of Cultural and Social Sciences
- have experience in international cooperation, especially with colleagues from Central and Eastern Europe
- be interested in interdisciplinary cooperation, especially regarding joint research projects

The professorship shall further expand the cooperation between the IRS and the European University Viadrina. The IRS researches the interactions between societal changes and the transformation of spaces. The Scientific Collections for the History of Building and Planning in the GDR, the most eminent archive for this research field, form part of the Research Area “Contemporary History and Archive” at IRS. The appointee is expected to integrate the Collections in the research of IRS, and to lead their strategic development and digitalization in the framework of concepts of “Digital History”.

The hiring process is subject to the requirements set forth in Section 41 of the Brandenburg Higher Education Act (Brandenburgisches Hochschulgesetz, BbgHG). The appointment procedure is conducted in accordance with Section 40 BbgHG and the European University Viadrina’s Rules on the Appointment of Professors (Berufungs- satzung-EUV).

As part of their equal opportunities policy, the European University Viadrina and the IRS aim at significantly increasing the proportion of women in research and teaching. Female applicants are therefore explicitly encouraged to apply. Applicants with a migrant background and international applications are highly welcome. A key component of the HR strategy of IRS and European University Viadrina is to promote family-friendly working conditions and to support equal opportunities for people of all genders.

Disabled candidates will be given preference if they have the same qualifications and suitability for the position. The disability should be referred to in the application letter or at an easily visible position in the CV. It can also be mentioned in a separate note.

Please submit applications with the following documents in the following order: CV incl. proofs of qualification, a research and a teaching concept (max. 2 pages each), list of publications, list of taught courses, list of third party funded research projects and three papers within the scope of this advertisement. Please submit your application until 18.03.2022 as one pdf quoting the Ref. No. 1300-22-02, to:

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