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VACANCY NOTICE for a RESEARCH ASSISTANT

The EUI has a vacancy for a Research Assistant in the Department of Political and Social Sciences

Reference number: **V/RA/SPS/721/2018** (please quote in all correspondence)

Department:	Department of Political and Social Sciences
Length of contract and % of full-time:	Full time 30/30 for two years, starting preferably on 1 September 2018
Salary indication:	Approximate starting salary (net): Between 2.000-2.200€ / month, plus allowances if applicable.
Director of project:	Prof. Juho Härkönen
Title of project:	CRITEVENTS: Critical Life Events and the Dynamics of Inequality: Risk, Vulnerability, and Cumulative Disadvantage
Job description:	<p>The appointee will work as a (postdoctoral) researcher as part of CRITEVENTS (90 %), and as an editorial assistant for <i>Advances in Life Course Research</i> (10 %).</p> <p><u>CRITEVENTS</u>: ‘<i>Critical Life Events and the Dynamics of Inequality: Risk, Vulnerability, and Cumulative Disadvantage</i>’ (2017-2020) is a consortium of researchers from Amsterdam, EUI, Lausanne, Oxford, and Stockholm, and is funded by Norface.</p> <p>CRITEVENTS studies the impact of two critical life events – job loss and union dissolution – on the life trajectories of adults and their children. Within this framework, the appointee is expected to develop research—in collaboration with Professor Härkönen—that focuses on a) the (changing) social stratification in the risk of union dissolution and explanations of this change, or b) the effects of job loss and union dissolution on adults and their children, and the heterogeneity in these effects. The results of this research will be submitted for publication in leading sociological and demographic journals.</p> <p>The position also involves minor project management tasks. Research visits to the other partner institutions are possible.</p> <p><u>Advances in Life Course Research</u> is an interdisciplinary journal that publishes research on the human life course and is edited by Juho Härkönen and Laura Bernardi. The appointee will assist</p>

	Härkönen with his editorial tasks.
Place of work:	Florence
Qualifications:	<p>The successful applicant is at the time of appointment expected to have, or be very close to completing, a doctoral degree in sociology, demography, or a related social science discipline.</p> <p>In addition to the above, s/he is able to document high-quality research that shows a) knowledge of the fields of research that are relevant to the project, b) strong skills in analysis of large and complex longitudinal data with appropriate quantitative methods (such as panel regressions, event history models, sibling models, growth curve models, or sequence analysis), and c) good writing skills in academic English. The capacity to conduct independent research and good collaboration skills are essential.</p> <p>Successful conduct of the editorial assistant role requires reliability, punctuality, good judgment, and collaboration skills.</p>
Languages:	English
Contact details	For more information contact : Monika.Rzemieniecka@eui.eu
Deadline	The closing date for applications is: 20 June 2018
How to apply	<p>Fill in the on-line application form and upload the following documents:</p> <p>a) cover letter, indicating your fit for the position as well as a brief motivation and description of the research you would want to pursue under CRITEVENTS,</p> <p>b) CV,</p> <p>c) two writing samples, and</p> <p>d) names and contact information for 2-3 references.</p> <p>as requested.</p>