POSITION ANNOUNCEMENT

Postdoc / Research Scientist
in Mathematical or Formal Demography

The Max Planck Institute for Demographic Research (MPIDR) is seeking to appoint a postdoctoral scholar with an emphasis on mathematical or formal demography to join either the Laboratory of Population Health, the Research Group on Labor Demography, or the Laboratory of Fertility and Well-Being.

The successful candidate will contribute to research on methodological aspects of measuring, monitoring, and modeling population processes. The candidate will have the opportunity to develop their own research agenda, collaborate freely throughout and beyond the MPIDR, and supervise PhD students. We are seeking a creative, self-driven, and collaborative scholar, with a big-picture perspective, a knack for mathematical modeling, and a love of formal demography. Strong verbal, written, and graphical communication skills are expected.

MPIDR is one of the leading demographic centers in the world. It is part of the Max Planck Society, a network of 86 institutes that form Germany’s premier basic-research organization. Max Planck Institutes have an established record of world-class, foundational research in the sciences, technology, social sciences and the humanities. They offer a unique environment that combines the best aspects of an academic setting and a research laboratory.

Please apply online via https://www.demogr.mpg.de/go/JobAd572527 and include the following documents:

1. Curriculum Vitae;
2. Letter of Interest (1-2 pages);
3. Research Statement (1-2 pages);
4. Names and contact information of up to 3 academic references;
5. Up to 2 writing samples or publications.

In order to receive full consideration, applications should be submitted by October 15, 2020. Later submission will be accepted until the position is filled. The starting date is flexible, but no later than fall 2021. PhD students who expect to obtain their degree before the starting date may apply.

We offer a contract for up to 5 years with remuneration commensurate to experience, starting from approx. 56,000 EUR gross per year for researchers who have just completed their PhD, up to approx. 70,000 EUR gross per year for more senior scientists, based on the salary structure of the German public sector (Öffentlicher Dienst, TVöD Bund). The successful candidate is expected to work locally at the MPIDR in Rostock, Germany. Relocation support is available.

The Max Planck Society offers a broad range of measures to support the reconciliation of work and family. These are complemented by the MPIDR’s own initiatives. For more information, see: https://www.demogr.mpg.de/go/work-family.

In addition, there are a range of central initiatives and measures primarily geared towards helping young female researchers and mothers to advance their career. See the link below for some examples: https://www.demogr.mpg.de/go/career-development.

Our institute values diversity and is committed to employing individuals from minorities. The Max Planck Society has set itself the goal of employing more severely handicapped people. Applications from severely handicapped people are explicitly encouraged. Our Institute and the Max Planck Society also seek to increase the proportion of women in areas where they are underrepresented and therefore explicitly encourage women to apply.

For inquiries about the position, please contact Mikko Myrskylä at myrskyla@demogr.mpg.de or Tim Riffe at riffe@demogr.mpg.de