

## PhD Researcher for 'Europeanisation of Spatial Planning' (1,0 fte)

**Nijmegen School of Management**

**Vacancy number: 27.18.10**

**Closing date: 29 October 2010**

### **Job description**

Applications are invited for a PhD position to investigate the effects of transnational territorial cooperation on European planning systems.

Over the past decade, there has been considerable financial and political support in the EU for transnational cooperation. Macro regions are expected to facilitate planning for large-scale functional areas and to improve policy coordination in the EU's multi-level governance system. Yet there is currently limited insight into the effects of transnational territorial cooperation on spatial planning systems in European countries and regions, and there is a need for an improved theoretical understanding of the role of macro regions in Europe.

As a PhD candidate you will become part of a research team of the Nijmegen School of Management at Radboud University Nijmegen (Netherlands).

### **Requirements**

You must have a relevant Master's degree in Spatial Planning or a related discipline. You are expected to have a strong interest in academic research in the social sciences and preferably have experience in undertaking comparative spatial research in Europe. Background knowledge of European spatial planning and territorial cooperation is essential. An excellent command of written and spoken English is mandatory. Knowledge of additional European languages and experience with different planning systems in Europe are strong assets.

### **Organization**

This position is located within the Governance and Places (GaP) research group, which is one of the three research groups within the Institute for Management Research of the Nijmegen School of Management.

Within the GaP research group, about 50 research staff from a wide range of backgrounds, disciplines and nationalities work on a variety of themes including European spatial planning, territorial cooperation, borders, transport, water management, environmental policy and governance, land policy and location development and urban and regional development. The group has a lively and well-supported community of PhD students. GaP staff members participate in international networks, publish in and co-edit renowned international journals, and are engaged in policy development at all spatial levels.

Website: <http://www.ru.nl/gap>

### **Conditions of employment**

Employment: 1,0 fte

The gross starting salary is €2,042 per month based on full-time employment and will increase to €2,612 per month in the fourth year (PhD scale).

Duration of the contract: 4 years. You will be appointed conditionally as a PhD researcher (1.0 FTE) for a period of 18 months. Your performance will be evaluated after 12 months. If the evaluation is positive, the contract will be extended for the remainder of the period.

### **Other Information**

You should submit a detailed CV which shows relevant research experience and details of academic qualifications, a letter of motivation, and the names and e-mail addresses of two academics who may be contacted for confidential references.

### **Additional Information**

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### **Application**

You can apply for the job (mention the vacancy number 27.18.10) **before 29 October 2010** by sending your application - preferably by email- to:

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