Doctoral Researcher (m/f/x)

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Stellenbeschreibung

Faculty of Social Science:

Chair of Sociology / Transnationalisation, Migration and Work

In order to fill a fixed-term position in full-time (39.83 hours/week = 100%) 01.09.2026, we are looking for a

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As part of our participation in the The Marie Skłodowska-Curie Doctoral Network MITIME: Entanglements of Migration and Time in Post-industrial Urban Europe we are looking for a doctoral researcher on the theme of migration, time and urban inqualities with a focus on labour (for details see https://www.migrationtime.eu). The research will be carried out on "Labour Market Agents and the Temporal Order of Migrant Labour in Post-Industrial Cities" and is concerned with local labour immigration governance (rather than labour market integration policies) and investigates institutional agents' policies and practices in this realm. It analyses the ways in which institutional agents such as city administration, municipal business development, as well as employers, and intermediaries together shape local labour markets and establish a local temporal order of migrant labour in post-industrial cities. This research should cover a mix of high and low-skill labour market segments, various economic sectors and/or different categories of migrant/foreign workers (by legal status, ethnicity, gender, etc.). Its methodology relies on comparative urbanism, potentially studying Bochum and Rotterdam, and will use expert interviews, document analysis, as well as engaged workshops with local stakeholders. Your application includes a motivation letter (max. 1 page, please mention the fulfillment of the mobility requirement in your motivation letter), Curriculum Vitae, Research Proposal (max. 2,000 words, excluding references), Transcripts and Certificates, for details see the application requirements at https://migrationtime.eu/criteria

Your tasks:

• conducting a research project within the defined framework (see above) and completing PhD thesis and/or journal articles on the results

- participating in the courses and events of the MITIME training program as well as local PhD training
- carry out secondments at Partner University and with the Associated Partner
- contributing to the further development of the training program, publications,
 Mitime events and co-creative city-labs
- as the position is funded by external third-party funding sources, employees are formally not required to take on teaching responsibilities. There will be an opportunity to teach one courseconducting a research project within the defined framework (see above) and completing PhD thesis and/or journal articles on the results

Anforderungsprofil & Qualifikationen

Your profile:

- Completed university degree in Sociology, Social Anthropology, Social Geography or a related social science discipline (min. 8 semesters standard period of study)
- Selected candidates must provide their MA certificate by 15 April 2026
- Knowledge and experience in qualitative social science methods (e.g. in Master thesis or research seminars) are required
- Initial knowledge in migration studies and/or labour studies is desirable
- Excellent command of English (written and spoken) is required
- Proficiency in languages relevant to the research project is required (please specify in your application)
- Readiness for international mobility for conference travels and secondments is required
- Please see details on the consortium on this webpage, https://migrationtime.eu/ and check the selection criteria and eligibility rules including the mobility requirement

We offer:

- Challenging and varied tasks with a high level of independence
- Employment at one of the largest universities in Germany within the University Alliance Ruhr
- Collaboration in a committed and appreciative team
- Extensive training and professional development opportunities

 A job in the heart of the lively Ruhr metropolitan region with its diverse cultural offerings

Further information:

The position is salaried and based on the collective agreement of the Länder (TV-L). If the personal and collective agreement requirements are met, the employee will receive pay grade TVL E 13 TV-L.

Further information can be found at https://oeffentlicher-dienst.info/ (in German).

The place of work is Ruhr University Bochum.

If the position is funded by third-party funds the employee has no teaching obligation.

RUB sees itself as a university with an international presence. The campus languages are German and English. Competence in at least one of the two languages and the willingness to learn the other are a prerequisite. RUB provides corresponding free courses for employees.

German language courses are offered by the University Language Center (ZFA) in the field of German as a Foreign Language (DaF).

https://www.daf.ruhr-uni-bochum.de/sbgk/index.html.en

The Staff Council has the right to participate in all selection interviews. At the request of a candidate (m/f/x), it will ensure its participation in the entire procedure. Please contact **wpr@rub.de**.

The Ruhr-Universität Bochum is one of Germany's leading research universities, addressing the whole range of academic disciplines. A highly dynamic setting enables researchers and students to work across the traditional boundaries of academic subjects and faculties. To create knowledge networks within and beyond the university is Ruhr-Universität Bochum's declared aim.

The Ruhr-Universität Bochum stands for diversity and equal opportunities. For this reason, we favour a working environment composed of heterogeneous teams, and seek to promote the careers of individuals who are underrepresented in our respective professional areas. The Ruhr-Universität Bochum expressly requests job applications from women. In areas in which they are underrepresented they will be given preference in the case of equivalent qualifications with male candidates. Applications from individuals with disabilities are most welcome.

Contact persons for further information:

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Travel costs, accommodation costs and loss of earnings or other application costs for job interviews can unfortunately not be reimbursed.

We look forward to receiving your application via our **online application portal by 2026-02-01**. Please make sure to mention the reference number ANR 5217.

Vorteile für Mitarbeitende

- Vergünstigtes Jobticket
- Arbeitsplatz in lebendiger Metropolregion

Stellenmerkmale

Beschäftigungsart Wissenschaftliche:r Mitarbeiter:in

Beschäftigungsumfang Vollzeit (befristet)

Home Office Nein

Bewerbungslink https://jobs.ruhr-uni-bochum.de/jobposting/

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