

Department of Economics, University of Copenhagen

Three Postdoc/Assistant Research Professor Positions in “Development Economics” 3 years each



The Department of Economics at the University of Copenhagen invites applications for three 3-year Post-Docs/Assistant Research Professors in Development Economics, commencing on 1 January 2009 or as soon as possible thereafter.

Job Description

Successful candidates will be expected to work under the overall guidance of the Coordinator of the Development Economics Research Group (DERG), Professor Finn Tarp, in the implementation of a number of externally funded capacity building and policy research projects in Vietnam and Mozambique. These projects are *inter alia* concerned with policy relevant research on rural households, enterprise development and a variety of other topics in Development Economics. In addition, the candidate will conduct own research, publish internationally, and otherwise disseminate research results as appropriate to the position of a Post-Doc/Assistant Research Professor. Travel to Vietnam and Mozambique and other countries will form part of the duties, and the selected candidates must be capable of, and willing to make general contributions to the academic work at the Department and to the work of DERG in particular. The three candidates selected for the posts advertised here are expected to work in the following specific areas: (i) technology and development, (ii) household survey and poverty analysis, and (iii) political economy and experimental economics.

Qualification requirements

The successful candidates will have a research record in Development Economics at PhD level. Candidates must have a thorough command of English. Knowledge of Portuguese/Spanish is an advantage. Experience with the design, implementation and analysis of field surveys in developing countries (including the use of modern micro-econometric methods) is also an asset. The same goes for relevant field experience from developing countries and affiliation with research in international development organizations. The requirements for the three posts vary slightly, so candidates should indicate for which of the three posts they wish to be considered. For the post in the technology and development area it is expected that the selected candidate will spend an average of five days every month during the first year at the German Institute of Global and Area Studies (GIGA). On average, the presence in Hamburg and Copenhagen should be distributed equally at both institutes over the whole three-year period and the candidate will contribute to the GIGA Research Focus “Transformation in Globalisation” as well as the work of DERG.

Salary and conditions of employment

The postdoc positions are three-year fixed-term positions. Salary and conditions of employment will be in accordance with the agreement between the Ministry of Finance and The Danish Confederation of Professional Associations (AC). The annual salary is presently between 359,000 - 376,300 DKK (47,900 - 50,200 Euro).

The salary levels are exclusive of a pension contribution of 17.1 %. Foreign researchers may enjoy a low income tax rate, which is currently 25 % of the gross income, after a deduction of 9 % labour market tax (www.ku.dk/english).

Applications

Applications should provide a brief overview of the applicant's research interests and should include curriculum vitae detailing the candidate's education, teaching experience, and up to three selected publications. Moreover, the application should include two references.

The University welcomes applications from suitably qualified candidates regardless of age, gender, race, religion or ethnic background.

Initial enquiries about the position can be made to Professor Finn Tarp, Department of Economics, Studiestræde 6, DK-1455, Copenhagen K, tel.: +45 35 32 30 41, email: Finn.Tarp@econ.ku.dk. Information about the Department of Economics and the Development Economics Research Group (DERG) can be found on the website at www.econ.ku.dk.

Applications should be addressed and sent to:

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Deadline for applications including all material is **1 December 2008 at 12.00 a.m.** Material received after the deadline will not be taken into account.

Electronic applications are not accepted. The application must be sent by regular mail or courier and include a reply e-mail address.