

Faculty of Arts and Humanities

Doctoral Researcher

project C02 „Energy Futures“



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With approximately 50,000 students, the University of Cologne is one of the largest universities in Germany and ranks among the Excellence Universities. It employs over 600 professors and 7,000 academic and non-academic staff.

The Collaborative Research Center (CRC) „Future Rural Africa. Future-making and social-ecological transformation“ combines expertise from the two Universities of Bonn and Cologne to study newly emerging issues of social-ecological transformation and future-making in Africa. Project C02 „Energy Futures“ invites applications for one PhD candidate.

YOUR TASKS

- » We are seeking a will design and conduct longterm field research on the cultural, social and economic ramifications surrounding the implementation of geothermal energy infrastructures in Baringo, Kenya and the related changes in human-environmental relations.
- » S/he will be expected to write a PhD thesis, project-related publications and to present the findings to colleagues and at conferences. Participation in and contribution to regular team meetings in Cologne and Bonn are required.

YOUR PROFILE

- » MA degree in Social/Cultural Anthropology or related disciplinary background
- » Excellent written and verbal communication skills
- » Self-motivation, enthusiasm and the ability to work as part of an interdisciplinary team
- » Knowledge of and experience with ethnographic research methods
- » Fitness for travel and work in the tropics, including long-term fieldwork in remote places
- » Study, work and/or travel experience in the Global South, preferably Africa

OF ADDITIONAL ADVANTAGE ARE

- » a driving license and driving experience in Africa

WE OFFER YOU

- » an outstanding international research environment
- » a diverse and fair working environment
- » support in reconciling work and family life
- » flexible working time models, full-time positions suitable for job sharing
- » extensive advanced training opportunities
- » occupational health management offers
- » local transport ticket at a discount for UoC employees

The position is available from 01.04.2018 on a 65% time basis. It is limited to the 31. 03.2021. If the applicant meets the relevant wage requirements and personal qualifications, the salary is based on remuneration group 13 TV-L of the pay scale for the German public sector.

The University of Cologne promotes equal opportunities and diversity in its employment relations. Women are expressly encouraged to apply and given priority in accordance with the Equal Opportunities Act of North Rhine-Westphalia (Landesgleichstellungsgesetz – LGG NRW). We expressly welcome applications from individuals with severe disabilities or people of equivalent status. Severely disabled applicants of equal merit and qualifications will be given priority.

Please send your convincing application with proof of the sought qualifications by email (in one pdf-file) with the reference number WISS1801-11 to clemens.greiner@uni-koeln.de.

The application deadline is 31.01.2018.