



CALL FOR APPLICATION

ERC project RIVERS- *Water/human rights beyond the human? Indigenous water ontologies, plurilegal encounters and interlegal translation* (2019-2024), University Carlos III de Madrid (SPAIN)

PhD POSITION “UN, INDIGENOUS PEOPLES AND INTERLEGAL TRANSLATION”

ref. 2019/231 - Deadline: 14 January 2020 – Apply at:

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More information: www.rivers-ercproject.eu.

RIVERS seeks a PhD researcher to join an international and interdisciplinary research team led by the Principal Investigator, Prof. dr. Lieselotte Viaene, who is interested to:

- develop research within work package D “Universal human rights and international indigenous knowledge brokers” of research stream II of the RIVERS project,
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Information about benefits, working conditions, documents to submit, selection procedure: see enclosed attachments and www.rivers-ercproject.eu

RESOLUCIÓN DE LA UNIVERSIDAD CARLOS III DE MADRID, POR LA QUE SE CONVOCA CONCURSO PÚBLICO PARA LA CONTRATACIÓN DE UN PUESTO DE TECNICO DE APOYO A LA INVESTIGACION PARA LA COLABORACIÓN EN ACTIVIDADES DE INVESTIGACIÓN. REF: 2019/231

La presente convocatoria se regirá tanto por las bases que figuran a continuación, como por las normas establecidas en la Instrucción Conjunta de Gerencia y Vicerrectorado de Investigación y Transferencia sobre el procedimiento de selección para la contratación de personal con cargo a fondos de investigación (aprobada por el Consejo de Gobierno en sesión de 1 de diciembre de 2011).

Bases de la convocatoria

I. El presente concurso tiene por objeto la selección de un puesto de Técnico de apoyo a la investigación para la contratación laboral temporal del puesto cuyas características se especifican en el anexo.

II. REQUISITOS MÍNIMOS

- Tener nacionalidad española o, cualquiera otra a la que las normas del Estado atribuyan iguales derechos a efectos laborales en la Administración Pública.
- Tener cumplidos los 16 años de edad.
- Cumplir las condiciones académicas o de titulación requeridas en el ANEXO de la presente resolución.

Todos estos requisitos deberán ser cumplidos en la fecha de finalización del plazo fijado para la presentación de solicitudes.

III. La suscripción de contratos con extranjeros de países no miembros de la U.E. o que no estén incluidos en el ámbito de aplicación de los Tratados Internacionales celebrados por la U.E y ratificados por España en los que sea de aplicación la libre circulación de trabajadores, se condiciona a que los interesados tengan concedida excepción de permiso de trabajo y residencia legal en España.

IV. PLAZO DE PRESENTACIÓN DE SOLICITUDES

Los interesados deberán presentar la documentación especificada en el punto siguiente desde el día 12 de diciembre de 2019 hasta el día 14 de enero de 2020, ambos incluidos.

V. DOCUMENTACIÓN A PRESENTAR

- Modelo de solicitud. Con objeto de facilitar su cumplimentación, la Universidad pone a disposición de los interesados de una aplicación telemática que posibilita la generación automática de la solicitud, en la siguiente página web: <https://aplicaciones.uc3m.es/ConvocatoriasSI/publico/convocatorias.htm>
- Fotocopia del D.N.I./N.I.E./Pasaporte.
- Currículum o relación de méritos, con información sobre formación en investigación cualitativa (en inglés) y las notas de grado y del master.
- Fotocopia del título o de la certificación académica de la titulación requerida en el anexo de la presente resolución.

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Adicionalmente, se deberá presentar la siguiente documentación en formato PDF (Máximo 3 documentos pdf.):

- a) Carta de motivación (en inglés).
- b) Propuesta preliminar de investigación doctoral (max. 2500 palabras) relacionado con el proyecto RIVERS y expectativas respecto al doctorado.
- c) 1 a 2 publicaciones propias de autoría única (artículo, capítulo de libro o trabajo fin de master, blog) que demuestren evidencia de experiencia con investigación cualitativa/etnografía.
- d) Dos cartas de referencia (académica/profesional) y, adicionalmente, nombres y datos de contacto de un máximo de tres referencias (académicos/profesionales).

VI. PROCESO DE SELECCIÓN.

La selección de los candidatos se hará salvaguardando los principios constitucionales de igualdad, mérito y capacidad.

Transcurrido el plazo de presentación de solicitudes se hará pública la relación de aspirantes admitidos en la siguiente dirección web: <https://aplicaciones.uc3m.es/ConvocatoriasSI/publico/convocatorias.htm>

El/la investigador/a responsable realizará un análisis y valoración de la documentación aportada por los candidatos y una preselección de candidatos finalistas, a quienes el/la investigador/a responsable junto con un Comité Internacional de selección les realizará una entrevista personal.

El/la investigador/a responsable emitirá un informe no vinculante donde se incluirá una lista priorizada de los aspirantes de acuerdo con los criterios de valoración establecidos en el anexo de la presente convocatoria.

Asimismo, se constituye la Comisión de Valoración formada por los miembros incluidos en el anexo, al objeto de examinar la documentación presentada por los aspirantes, valorar los respectivos méritos y formular propuesta de selección una vez visto el informe del investigador responsable previa informe del Comité Internacional de Selección.

La Comisión podrá solicitar, en cualquier fase del procedimiento, los originales de la documentación presentada o cualquier otro documento que estimase necesario.

Los candidatos no seleccionados formarán parte de la bolsa de suplentes, a efectos de la posible sustitución a solicitud del investigador responsable, si el candidato seleccionado renunciara en cualquier momento de la duración del contrato, o a su incorporación.

Seleccionado el candidato su incorporación se formalizará mediante contrato laboral temporal. En todo caso, la duración del contrato estará sujeta a la financiación y duración del proyecto de investigación.

VII. FINANCIACIÓN

La actividad subvencionada se enmarca en Acuerdo de subvención: ERC-2018-StG-804003 financiado por el Consejo Europeo de Investigación (ERC).



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APPENDIX (CALL FOR APPLICATIONS)

Data of the Research Project:

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Funded: European Research Council (ERC). GA-804003

Coordinated by: Lieselotte Viaene.

Department: I144 Social Sciences.

Category: Research Assistant. **“UN, indigenous peoples and interlegal translation”**

Expected Duration of Contract: February 17th 2020 to February 16th 2021 (Extendable for a total of 3 years)

Hours per week: 37, 50 hours (Full-time).

Monthly Gross Salary: To be decided based on the merits of candidates with a minimum of 1.466,40 euro and a maximum of 1.750,00 euro (liable to taxes and/or other deductions according to Spanish regulation).

Degree required: Bachelor’s degree.

Project Description

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RIVERS follows two interrelated research streams: I) indigenous visions/practices: beyond water as a natural resource and a human right; and II) the UN human rights system: towards counter-hegemonic water knowledge and norm production. The RS will be operationalised through four mutually reinforcing work packages: WP-A) unveiling and grasping indigenous water knowledges and ontologies; WP-B) interlegal translation in court: anthropological expert testimonies; WP-C) human rights treaty bodies: water knowledge and norm production; and WP-D) universal human rights and international indigenous knowledge brokers.

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Workplan:

The PhD researcher will, in close collaboration with the Principal Investigator and the rest of the team (a total of 2 postdocs and 3 PhDs), be expected to:

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The selected researcher should be available to join the RIVERS research team at the University Carlos III de Madrid at the moment of his/her hiring.

Working conditions:

1. Being part of a vibrant, supportive, intercultural and bi-lingual research team which will conduct innovative and cutting-edge research within the Department of Social Science.
2. The project RIVERS will cover the inscription fee of the PhD programme
3. Based on an agreed work plan, the project provides research funds for fieldwork in Geneva, selected conference attendance and other research-related expenses.
4. As part of the PhD training, support will be given in writing academic articles for peer-reviewed journals and to present research progress in international scientific conferences. The person has the option to complete the PhD programme with a PhD based on scientific publications.

Requirements:

1. Excellent skills for qualitative research demonstrated in the master's thesis in social sciences (such as international human rights law, rights of indigenous peoples, anthropology, sociology, international studies).
2. Previous experience and/or interest in developing a PhD research project in the fields of legal anthropology or human rights anthropology, political ontology, rights of indigenous peoples.
3. Previous experiences (training/courses, Master's field work) in the use of ethnographic research methods such as participant observation, focus groups, interviews and life stories; as well as commitment to ethnographic field work.
4. Knowledge and/or experience with the UN human rights protection system.
5. Knowledge and/or experience of research and/or work with indigenous peoples.
6. Excellent communication skills in English (oral and written) and knowledge of Spanish; knowledge of an indigenous language will be valued.
7. Previous experience in team work (academic and/or professional) and willingness to participate in interdisciplinary and bilingual teamwork (Spanish-English).
8. While a work visa will be required, this call is open to citizens of non-EU countries who wish to apply. Researchers belonging to a ethnic / indigenous group are strongly invited.
9. Candidates must be available for interviews (on distance, skype).

Documents to submit.

- All documents required must be submitted from December, 12th. 2019 until January 14th, 2020, both dates inclusive.
- Application Form. In order to facilitate its completion, the University makes available to interested parties a "online app" that allows the automatic generation of the application form, on the following website: <https://aplicaciones.uc3m.es/ConvocatoriasSI/publico/convocatorias.htm>
- Copy del ID Card/Passport.

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- A detailed CV including information on training in methodology (in English) and final average grades obtained in undergraduate and graduate degrees.
- A copy of the Bachelor and/or Master degree.

In addition, the following documents should be submit in PDF format (Máx. 3 pdf documets):

- A brief motivation letter (in English)
- A preliminary research statement outlining which issues and research methods related to the RIVERS project the candidate would like to focus on in the PhD thesis (max 2500 words)
- 1-2 single authored writing samples (article, book chapter and/or master thesis) which provide evidence of qualitative experience;
- Two reference letters (academic/professional) and also names and contact details of a maximum of three references (academic/professional).
- Only short-listed candidates will be interviewed.

Information about the selection procedure:

Your application needs to be submitted via the website: [Calls for staff hires chargeable to projects.](#)

The first phase is the admission to the selection procedure by Human Resources. A list of all admitted candidates will be published on the same website.

The second phase is an interview, only short listed candidates will be invited for an interview by an International Selection Committee.

On the same website, the result of the call and selection procedure will be published once the selection procedure has finalized.

For more information about the application procedure: carlos.ruizleon@uc3m.es

For more information about the position: Principal Investigator, Lieselotte Viaene, lviaene@clio.uc3m.es

Evaluation Criteria:

Criteria	Maximun score
CV	2
Position Suitability	6
Other merits	2

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