

JUNIOR RESEARCH FELLOWS NEEDED AT NORDREGIO WITHIN SUSTAINABLE REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT IN RURAL, URBAN OR MARITIME AREAS!

Nordregio is offering two positions as Junior Research Fellow within Rural, Regional or Urban Development or within Maritime Spatial Planning.

Nordregio is an international research centre for regional development and planning. We conduct solution-oriented and applied research, addressing current issues from both an academic perspective and from the viewpoint of policymakers and practitioners. Nordregio participates in European, Nordic and national research programs and carries out commissioned projects for different levels of government. We conduct case-studies in different regions, perform territorial analyses on a transnational and pan-European level, and undertake evaluations of various European and national programs.

Nordregio has a multidisciplinary, international staff and is situated in the attractive surroundings of Skeppsholmen in the heart of Stockholm, Sweden. The institute was established in 1997 by the Nordic Council of Ministers, and builds on 50 years of Nordic collaboration.

Working at Nordregio provides you with the opportunity to become part of a truly international research environment. It offers significant career development potential in terms of enhancing your international network of contacts in the policy and academic fields, as well as extensive experience in project management. You will also have rich opportunities to collaborate with regional and municipal stakeholders in the Nordic countries.

Nordregio is currently seeking to expand its capacity by adding two Junior Research Fellows to the team. In particular, we are looking for candidates with an educational background and/or experience in one or more of the following fields:

- Sustainable rural development (e.g. challenges and opportunities for rural areas, policy analysis)
- Innovative and resilient regions (e.g. green transition, resilience, smart specialization, and digitalization)
- Sustainable cities and urban planning (e.g. smart cities, transport, housing, public space and culture, planning systems)
- Maritime Spatial Planning (land-sea interaction, maritime planning systems and policies)
- In addition, the work also includes other duties, such as administrative tasks and research related to other topics within the broad field of regional studies.

We require the following skills and attributes

- An MSc in a social science discipline aligned with at least one of the fields above (e.g. economics, political science, sociology, anthropology, economic geography, planning or similar).
- Highly motivated with the ability to work independently, as well as the skills to work effectively in a cooperative research environment.
- Strong analytical skills and the ability to take a creative approach to complex problems.
- Well-developed communication skills including the ability to network and work collaboratively with a range of stakeholders and partner organizations.
- Ability and willingness to contribute to Nordregio's goal of being an environmentally conscious, supportive and equal working place.
- Fluent in English, and, if not already fluent in a Scandinavian language, the willingness to acquire a working knowledge of Danish, Norwegian or Swedish within a short period of time.
- The geographic scope of your fields of interest includes an expert knowledge in at least one Nordic country as well as a pan-European perspective. Currently, we are particularly interested in candidates from Denmark, Norway and Finland.

We offer

- The positions will be full time from 1 September or earlier, 2018. Nordregio offers competitive salaries and a contract with a maximum length of two years. Subject to further agreement, the contract can be renewed for up to another six years. According to the agreement "Avtale om rettstilling for samnordiske institusjoner og deres ansatte", if you are employed by the State in a Nordic country, you are entitled to a leave of absence from your present position for the duration of your employment at Nordregio.
- How to apply: Upload your application including a CV and references no later than 3 August, 2018. Interviews will be carried out during August.

- For further information, please contact:
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Title: Junior Research fellow

Organisation: Nordregio

City: Stockholm

Application Deadline: 27 July 2018

Employment conditions: Nordic conditions

Job Category: Employment with a Nordic institution or partner

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