

EUROPEAN CENTRE FOR SOCIAL WELFARE POLICY AND RESEARCH

The European Centre for Social Welfare Policy and Research, an UN-affiliated intergovernmental organization in Vienna, has a vacancy for a researcher to work on a range of issues on long-term care (mostly) and health in the context of ageing, with a focus both on Austria and on international comparative perspectives. These include inequalities (including social determinants of health and frailty, life-course and gender), care workforce, care regimes, active ageing or financing.

RESEARCHER FOR THE HEALTH AND CARE UNIT

Location: Vienna, Austria

- **Starting date:** Earliest possible date on the 3rd quarter of 2019 for an initial duration of 1 year with the possibility of prolongation to open-ended contract (conditional on performance)
- Closing date: 5th April 2019

What are my responsibilities?

- Carry out research and in-depth analysis of public policies in long-term care (mostly) and health from an Austrian AND international comparative perspective.
 This includes areas such as inequalities (including social determinants of health and frailty, life-course and gender), care workforce, care regimes, active ageing or financing.
- Carry out research involving a **mix of quantitative and qualitative research methods**, for example:
 - Carry out qualitative research (for example, focus groups, participatory research) on user/patient/informal carers experiences with care.
 - Carry out advanced quantitative research (for example, event analysis, multi-level modeling) on large secondary datasets.

The successful candidate can expect to carry out research involving both methods on a regular basis, including on such projects such as FUTUREGEN (inequalities on health and care across cohort) and DET_CAREMIX (determinants of use of care in Slovenia and Austria).

- Contribute to project acquisition, including identifying appropriate funding opportunities and contributing to the designing and drafting of research proposals (in both English and German).
- Manage and communicate with national and international networks of researchers and policy makers.
- Organize meetings and disseminate findings at national and international events or through high quality peer-reviewed articles or reports. Special emphasis on the translation of research into policy.

What do I need to qualify for this job?

- **PhD or a Master's degree** (in the latter case at least five years of additional work experience are required) in Economics, Psychology, Sociology, Social Policy or related social sciences (PhD would be an additional asset).
- Very good knowledge of and experience with **mixed methods**. Otherwise very good knowledge of either quantitative methods (including proficiency in software such as STATA, R, SPSS) or qualitative methods **AND interest and availability to expand the knowledge and work regularly with the other method**.



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- Good level of understanding of long-term care and/or health policies in the context of ageing in Austria AND/OR Europe, including such areas as inequalities (including social determinants of health and frailty, life-course and gender), care workforce, care regimes, active ageing or financing.
- **Team spirit**, initiative and reliability under tight deadlines and ability to work in a multicultural work environment.
- A track record of publications (peer-reviewed articles or/and policy-oriented papers and reports) will be considered.
- Good communication skills and fluency (oral and written) of **German AND English language**, working knowledge of other European languages would be an asset.

The European Centre offers flexible working hours and an attractive remuneration scheme, ample possibilities for supported professional development, interdisciplinary co-operation, independence and autonomy at work.

The European Centre is an equal opportunity employer. The annual gross payment offered is at least EUR 44,000 – (37.5 working hours), possibility of higher salary depending on qualifications and experience.

For further information on this vacancy, please contact: Ricardo Rodrigues (Tel. (+ 43 1) 319 45 05 35; e-mail: <u>vacancyinfo@euro.centre.org</u>). Please send your application with CV and letter of motivation in English to Judith Schreiber (application hc@euro.centre.org).