

The University of Gothenburg invites applications for 3 two-year positions (80%) as:

## **P o s t d o c t o r a l   R e s e a r c h e r**

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*The Centre for European Research at the University of Gothenburg (CERGU) is a cross-disciplinary centre supported by the Faculty of Arts, the Faculty of Social Sciences and the School of Business, Economics and Law. CERGU was established in 1992, and the centre's network-based structure allows our scholars to combine disciplinary depth with broad cross-disciplinary insights on European issues (see [www.cergu.gu.se](http://www.cergu.gu.se)). This call for applications is part of CERGU's international postdoc program, funded by the Bank of Sweden Tercentenary Foundation (Riksbankens Jubileumsfond) 2013-2017.*

CERGU promotes cross-disciplinary research on a broad range of European issues, but there are certain thematic areas in which we currently have a stronger profile. These areas include *Cultural Borders and Identity, Migration, Global Europe, Societal Challenges and Actors, and EU Institutions*. These themes are described in more detail on the CERGU webpage. We encourage potential applicants to describe in their application to what extent their proposed project and merits may benefit from, or contribute to, the CERGU environment and our specific thematic areas.

The researchers will be financed by CERGU (80%) but have a double affiliation as the employment and office location will be at one of the departments at the Faculty of Arts, the Faculty of Social Sciences, or the School of Business, Economics and Law. CERGU researchers participate in many activities, ranging from weekly breakfasts and regular working seminars, to international conferences, guest seminars and public events. Our aim is to create a welcoming and stimulating atmosphere for both social and scientific exchange. Together with its sister organization, Centre for European Studies (CES), CERGU also promotes the integration of teaching and research about European issues. Many of the researchers affiliated with CERGU teach courses in the two programs of European Studies, as well as within their home departments.

**DUTIES:** The appointees should independently conduct research and also participate in the planning and execution of the activities at CERGU. It is also expected that the appointees actively participate in CERGU activities, organise a conference or workshop, and regularly present their research at international conferences. Normally the postdoc position is combined with up to 20% teaching, however, this must first be agreed upon with the disciplinary department.

**QUALIFICATIONS:** Doctoral degree in humanities or social science disciplines (including economics and law), or a set date for the thesis defence (no later than 31 December 2014). The degree must have been completed within the three years preceding the application deadline and applicants must not have previously been employed as a post-doctoral researcher.

**PROCEDURE OF ASSESSMENT:** CERGU's Steering Group will make the final decision about appointments in consultation with the relevant departments, based on assessments made by a working committee, the steering group members and potential external reviewers. In assessing candidates, particular attention will be given to scientific proficiency. As a basis for evaluating the qualifications of each applicant, both a project description of the research that is intended to be undertaken during the position, and previous research merits of relevance to the project, will be considered. At least one publication should be in English. It is important that the planned research project is such that it can be completed within two years. The project description should also include information on dissemination strategies. A list of top candidates will be selected by mid-June, interviews will be conducted late August and successful candidates will be notified by early September.

Start Date: 1 January 2015 (or by agreement with the appointee).

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Application (in English) should include:

- A letter explaining the applicant's motives for applying to CERGU and the connection to one (or more) of CERGU's thematic areas
- An abstract of the research plan, max 150 words (including title)
- The research plan (max 10.000 signs and blanks, including list of references)
- CV
- The dissertation and other relevant publications (max 3)

The full application, including selected publications, should be submitted via the electronic e-recruitment system by May 5, 2014

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