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The Humanities and Social Sciences Group; Institute of Philosophy; Centre for Ethics, Social and Political Philosophy are looking for

PhD Researcher (f/m) - ABV2011265

The political philosophy research group RIPPLE (Research in Political Philosophy Leuven) is part of the Centre for Ethics, Social and Political Philosophy of the Institute of Philosophy. Its members conduct their research within the framework of a joint research program. This program aims at uncovering the (normative) preconditions of political, and more specifically democratic society formation in the era of globalization. At present, RIPPLE consists of five senior researchers, five post-doctoral researchers, and about twenty doctoral students from K.U.Leuven and abroad, which testifies to its distinct international profile. RIPPLE focuses on contemporary political philosophy while encouraging the dialogue between continental and analytical approaches.

As part of the research project: "Political Representation and Democratic Agency" (see <http://www3.kuleuven.be/ripple/index.html>), subsidized by the Research Foundation Flanders (FWO), the Centre for Ethics, Social and Political Philosophy of the K.U.Leuven Institute of Philosophy has a vacancy for a four-year doctoral research position, to be concluded with a doctoral dissertation (preferably written in English). The candidate will conduct his or her research on the above topic as a member of RIPPLE, and under the supervision of one of RIPPLE's senior staff members. The research is to be defended as the candidate's doctoral dissertation (preferably written in English).

Your opportunities

- The researcher will present the results of his or her research activities both at national and international meetings and conferences. S/The candidate will be expected to publish regularly in international, refereed journals.
- The researcher is expected to participate in the joint research activities of RIPPLE, e.g. attending its weekly seminars, assisting in the organization of workshops or conferences. S/he is also expected to spend some of his/her research time with experts at universities abroad.
- S/he will be charged with minor teaching (or administrative) responsibilities both at undergraduate and graduate level (max. 2 hours of teaching or 4 hours of administrative tasks a week during the academic year).

Your profile

- MA in Philosophy (preferably with a thesis in Political Philosophy) or MA Political Theory (preferably with a major in Political Philosophy);
- independent and self-motivated;
- willing to work as a team member of the research group;
- excellent writing skills;
- a high level of proficiency in English.

Interviews are scheduled on February 9th 2012.

Our offer

We offer a fulltime employment starting on 2012, April 1st for 2 years (to be extended with another 2 years).

Interested?

Please visit <http://www.kuleuven.be/vacatures> and apply online.

For more information about the job description, please contact Prof. Dr. Antoon Braeckman, toon.braeckman@kuleuven-kortrijk.be, tel: +3256246162 +32 16 326343

Applications must be received no later than 21/01/2012.

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