



Junior Researcher Position for PhD Candidate in Macroeconomics or Public Finance

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Position: The Public Finance Group is looking for a junior researcher for a total of 3 years (possibly more). Research work performed in this position, if successful, should lead to a PhD degree in an Austrian university chosen by the candidate.

The salary is comparable to financial assistance provided by local universities to their PhD students (yearly salary: 27 950 EUR Gross, 20 000 EUR Net). The salary will also be provided for up to 3 months of coursework associated with the PhD programme.

Research Areas: Two of the three chapters of the PhD dissertation should be related to work and interests of the Public Finance Group. There are no specific requirements for the third chapter.

The topic of one chapter is related to Overlapping-Generations (OLG) models and Computable General Equilibrium (CGE) analysis. A choice can be made between the analysis of wealth distribution and simulations of the effect of cross-country fiscal policy coordination. Work has relevance in policy analysis and is related to well-defined research projects partially financed by the European Union Horizon 2020 programme.

The topic for another chapter involves either empirical or theoretical research. It is to be chosen from a list of five possible topics, all related to consumption behaviour. Topics cover theoretical or empirical analysis of asymmetric consumption habits, empirical analysis of consumption and work hours, theoretical analysis of the Becker theory of the allocation of time with health expenditures or structural change.

On the IHS: The Institute for Advanced Studies (IHS) is active in Economics, Political Science, and Sociology and is one of the leading research institutes of Austria. It provides education and performs basic and applied research. The Public Finance Group is member of the EcoFin Applied Research Department, which focuses on applied research and policy analysis.

Requirements:

- 2 years Master Programme in Economics, or similar
- Interest in Computable General Equilibrium (CGE) analysis
- Knowledge of computer programming is an asset
- Goal to complete a PhD in Economics

Notes: German or English language; current enrolment in a PhD programme is not needed but possible; the IHS does not guarantee admission into any PhD programme but can support the admission process

Start date: As of May 2015 (precise date to be discussed)

To apply: For more information or to apply, please contact Thomas Davoine, PhD at: davoine@ihs.ac.at