Postdoctoral Job Opening

The International Psychoanalytic University Berlin (IPU) and the Hans Kilian and Lotte Köhler-Center (KKC) for Social and Cultural Psychology and Historical Anthropology at the Ruhr-University Bochum jointly invite applications for a 12-month Postdoctoral Fellowship in Social and Cultural Psychology and Psychoanalysis.

The successful candidate will have completed his/her PhD in the past three years with an outstanding dissertation in a relevant field; possess strong research skills and interest in the fields of depth psychological social research and cultural analysis and/or interpretive cultural psychology; possess solid knowledge of qualitative research methods and of subject, social, and cultural theory; and have an ability and willingness to think interdisciplinarily.

The fellowship will enable the postdoc to pursue a research project in a concentrated manner and to benefit from open-minded discussion partners.

The successful candidate

- will receive a monthly salary of 3,000 euros per month (plus child allowance, if applicable) for a period of one year to work on a habilitation or comparable research project, regardless of the phase of the project;
- will be provided with a workspace in Berlin for 6 months and in Bochum for another 6 months (sequence is flexible), so that the fellow can benefit from the specific strengths of the IPU and the KKC;
- is expected to offer a research-related course (biweekly or as a block seminar) for advanced and doctoral students, tailored to his/her own research topic and project in the first half of the year;
- is expected to offer a 1- or 2-day scientific symposium with 3-5 invited guests who are distinguished experts in the fellow’s research area in the second half of the year. The symposium will be financed by the IPU and the KKC.
- is expected to prepare a publication resulting from the cooperation with the IPU and the KKC (which will be financed by these institutions)

In addition to the above-mentioned salary, the IPU and KKC will

- assist the fellow with finding accommodations and other activities related to the research stay
• cover travel expenses to a limited extent
• provide a student assistant to assume library, research and organizational duties to a limited extent.

The fellowship must be completed between October 1, 2021 and September 30, 2022.

The application deadline is August 15, 2021.

Applications must include a:
• cover letter stating the motivation for the application,
• tabular curriculum vitae, focused on the scientific career,
• doctoral certificate and the expert opinions on the dissertation thesis,
• complete list of publications
• brief outline of current research interests and work,
• brief outline of professional position and academic activities in a broader sense (collaboration with journals, publishers, research funding institutions, etc.),
• 3- to 5-page, differentiated project description,
• preliminary title/plan for the mandatory course and the scientific symposium.

Application documents are to be submitted in hard copy and in digital form (a single PDF) to both institutions:

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