



Two-year Post-Doc Fellowship in Political Ecology at ICTA – Autonomous University of Barcelona

The European Network for Political Ecology (**ENTITLE**) offers a **two-years post-doc fellowship** based at the coordinating unit of the project, ICTA at the Autonomous University of Barcelona (www.eco2bcn.es). ENTITLE is an EU-funded Initial Training Network whose aim is to promote European research and advanced training on the field of political ecology, including the study of the commons, environmental conflicts, movements, disasters, ecological democracy and environmental justice (www.politicaecology.eu).

We are looking for an individual from anywhere in the world who has developed cutting edge PhD research on a political-ecology related theme. The selected fellow will work with the coordinating unit in the overall management of the network, including, among other tasks and taking up to 30% of her/his time: coordination of training activities for the early stage fellows of the network; preparation and management of material for the network's website; editing of a working paper series; mentoring of PhD and masters researchers; and up to 30 hours annually of teaching at a graduate level. The remaining 70% of the fellow's time will be devoted to development of personal research and publishing (can include new original research, follow-up research on dissertation, or publishing of dissertation results).

The deadline for the application is the **30th of September**, 9pm Central European Time (please take into account time differences). Decisions will be communicated to applicants by the end of October. Fellowship contracts are expected to start by the **1st of May 2014**.

Qualifications

The fellowships are open to truly outstanding candidates with distinguished curricula and proven ability to conduct and publish socially-relevant political ecological research. Given the high level of competition, we expect that the selected fellow will have strong publication records and/or a degree from a top University. We expect candidates to have a doctorate in the social sciences, the environmental sciences or geography on a topic that had a clear political-ecological angle. We will not consider candidates with general environment-related dissertation topics, if these are not clearly linked to - broadly defined – political ecology.

Eligibility criteria

These are given by the Marie Curie program. For definitions and to check whether you are eligible please consult with your national Marie Curie contact points (list available at http://cordis.europa.eu/fp7/mariecurieactions/ncp_en.html)

Applicants:

- 1- should have less than 5 years of research experience counting from the date of obtaining the degree which would formally entitle them to embark on a doctorate, either in the country in which the degree was obtained or in the country in which the research training is provided.

The degree from which time counts is typically the Masters' degree or its equivalent in non-European countries. For U.S. applicants, the time counts after the end of graduate course-work, typically that is, after the qualifying exams. Only full-time research experience counts (part-time counts as part-time, i.e. one year at 50% counts as half a year). Unemployment or work in a non-research organization does not count in the years of research experience.

- 2- should have a PhD,

OR, if not, they should have more than 4 years of research experience (counting from the date of obtaining the degree which would formally entitle them to embark on a doctorate, either in the country in which the degree was obtained or in the country in which the research training is provided) and commit to file their dissertation by December 2013.

- 3- must not have resided or carried out their main activity in Spain for more than 12 months in the 3 years between May 2011 - May 2014. (For example, a person who has lived in Spain for half a year in 2010 and half a year in 2012 cannot apply for the position)

Application procedure

Applicants should submit by email:

(i) an application form which includes:

- a. A max 2-page motivation statement explaining the reasons for your interest in the position, your skills in relation to the profile for the post, and the contribution of your past and future research to the field of political ecology. Explain clearly your research and publication plans for the fellowship period and explain why you are a good fit for ICTA.
- b. a curriculum vitae.

(ii) your best published (or in press, or accepted) peer-review publication in an English-speaking journal or if not available, a representative of your work chapter from the dissertation (together with the Table of Contents of the dissertation).

The application should be sent by email to entitle2012@gmail.com. The subject of the email and the attached application form should have the following structure <"Entitle Post-doc Application"> <Name Surname of applicant> <Posts Applying for> (e.g. Entitle Post-Doc Application, John Smith, Posts 1 and 3). The application form and the publication should be attached to the email.

In addition the applicants should ask an academic referee (supervisor or other academic familiar with work) to send a reference letter to entitle2012@gmail.com. Email and attachment should be titled with the name of the applicant.

Compensation

Successful applicants will be given a two-year contract with a salary and mobility allowance and additional funds for research-related costs (conferences and field work). The remuneration includes an annual living allowance of 58.149€ and a mobility allowance of 695,8€ or 994€ per month (depending on the family situation).

These amounts include social security costs paid by the company (+/- 32%), compensation costs (2%-3%) and the gross salary (also subject to taxes). Notice that due to taxes the net monthly salary is reduced significantly in Spain and will mean about 50%-60% of the Marie Curie ITN rates detailed above.

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