The Institute of Government and Politics at the University of Tartu (Estonia) invites applications for the position of a

POSTDOCTORAL RESEARCH FELLOW
in Political Science
with a research profile relevant to EU-Russia relations
(four years, starting in January 2012)

Recruitment for this position is related to the establishment of a multidisciplinary Centre for EU-Russia Studies at the University of Tartu (UT) in 2011. The Centre pools scientists and experts from several fields in order to carry out in-depth research on interactions between the European Union and the Russian Federation. The activities of the Centre are funded from a UT-financed research and development programme. The Postdoctoral Research Fellow will be employed at the Institute of Government and Politics but is expected to work closely with UT’s multidisciplinary area studies units (the Centre for EU-Russia Studies and the EuroCollege).

The general duties of the Postdoctoral Research Fellow include:
- conducting research in a subject area relevant to EU-Russia relations (broadly defined)
- publishing internationally, including in peer-reviewed journals;
- implementing R&D projects;
- teaching 1 MA-level course per semester (2 hours per week) in his or her area of specialization;
- supervising MA and BA students;
- knowledge sharing with society.

Requirements for the position include a Ph.D. or other equivalent academic degree in Political Science or a related field, a research profile relevant to EU-Russia relations (broadly defined), demonstrated ability to conduct high-quality research publishable in international journals, and at least some teaching experience at the university level. Fluency in English is required; knowledge of Russian constitutes an asset.

Terms of employment: The contract period is four years, with a start date preferably in February 2012 (negotiable). Salary level is €1500-2000 gross per month (current income tax rate 21%), depending on the level of experience. Please note that the cost of living in Estonia is significantly below the EU average.

Application procedures: In order to be considered for the position, the candidate must submit to the UT Personnel Office (postal address: 4 Jakobi St, Tartu 51004 ESTONIA) the following documents (in English, 1 copy):

1. a letter of application (cover letter) addressed to the Rector,
2. a curriculum vitae in the required format (see http://www.ut.ee/section=685/oid=1168),
3. a list of research publications (if necessary, enclosing copies of more important publications),
4. a copy of the document certifying the candidate's educational qualifications/academic degree,
5. other materials considered relevant by the candidate (a list of such materials must be included in the application or annexed to it).

The deadline for applications is October 1, 2011.

For more information:
University of Tartu: http://www.ut.ee; Institute of Government and Politics: http://www.so.ut.ee/RTI
Centre for EU-Russia Studies: http://ceurus.ut.ee; EuroCollege: http://ec.ut.ee

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