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Job offer

The Wissenschaftszentrum Berlin für Sozialforschung (Social Science Research Center Berlin, WZB), Junior Research Group "Work and Care", is offering a position for

a Researcher (pre-doctoral stage / PhD Candidate)

at 65% of the regular working hours (currently 25.35 hours/week), starting on February 1, 2013 and ending on March 31, 2017. The position is contingent on the award of funding by the German Ministry of Education and Research. The position is part of the project "Between Love and Economic Efficiency". The goal of this research project is to examine how services that have traditionally been provided by family and friends (e.g., elderly and child care or marriage and career counseling) became marketized, how these markets are organized, and what consequences the personal and often intimate aspects of such jobs have for the individuals who perform them. More information can be found at: http://www.wzb.eu/en/research/education-work-and-life-chances/work-andcare

Tasks: The position involves participation in developing and answering research questions within the project's larger framework. The successful candidate will autonomously conduct analyses regarding the emergence of professional care work, the professional counseling market, and new service sector occupations. Moreover, he or she will present project results at national and international conferences and be involved in publishing the project's results. It is intended and desired that the researcher will write a doctoral thesis during the time of the project.

Requirements: Master's degree (or equivalent) in sociology, social-psychology, or a comparable field; well-grounded knowledge in quantitative methods and training and experience with analyzing panel data and/or conducting experimental studies; good skills in STATA or comparable statistical packages; excellent writing and communication skills in English; the ability to work autonomously, and experience with teamwork in research groups; willingness to write a doctoral thesis.

Salary: pay group E 13 TVöD (65%) (collective Agreement for the Public Service)

Equally well qualified disabled persons will be given preference. Women and people with an immigrant background are explicitly invited to apply.

Applications, including a curriculum vitae, official transcripts, and relevant testimonials, should be submitted by E-mail (PDF-file) by **November 29, 2012** to

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