



Dnr. SU 617-0267-12

## Utlysning av tre internationella doktorandanställningar

### Three PhD doctoral student positions in Social Anthropology

#### Marie Curie Fellowship - Early Stage Researcher in the field of Transdisciplinary Diaspora Studies

Applications are invited for three full time doctoral positions (PhD students) in Diaspora Studies to work on a project situated at the Department of Social Anthropology, Stockholm University. Applicants will be expected to engage in a continuing dialogue about the methodology, theory, and terminology of diaspora studies as a transdiscipline. The positions are fully funded over a period of 48 months.

#### Marie Curie Initial Training Network

##### “Diasporic Constructions of Home and Belonging” (CoHaB)

All over the world, stable concepts of home and belonging have, for a variety of reasons, become the exception rather than the rule, which has led to dramatic cultural, social and political changes and challenges. The study of diaspora and migration has evolved into a burgeoning field which sets an urgent research agenda for our time. The EU-funded transnational network CoHaB comprises acknowledged Diaspora Studies experts from the universities of Münster, Oxford, SOAS, Stockholm, Mumbai and Northampton, as well as several non-academic partners. Committed to excellence in facilitating research for scholars in the early phases of their careers, the network is united in the conviction that interdisciplinary and transnational training as well as international and inter-sectoral co-operation are key to any productive study of diaspora. Applicants must document research interests and expertise in relevant fields, especially ethnic and migration studies, and be willing to network across academic and non-academic institutions as part of their research.

Research training within a variety of disciplinary environments, both academic and extramural, is central to the CoHaB network. Secondments to associated non-academic partners will help Marie Curie Research Fellows in Diaspora Studies to gain insight into specific diaspora-related, extramural fields of work, and also integrate the findings arising from their work experience with their academic work. Close co-operation within the network will allow researchers from various disciplinary backgrounds to join forces and develop their projects on a shared platform.





The three areas in which project proposals are invited at Stockholm University are:

### **1. Welfare Practices in Diasporic Contexts**

One doctoral position within the area of welfare practices and diaspora. This entails research on migrants embeddedness in transnational social networks and the formation of practices related to welfare service in diasporic contexts. Empirical studies on how associations, individual leaders and entrepreneurs belonging to a diasporic population assume responsibility for welfare services, the sending of remittances and social support are examples of possible studies within this project.

### **2. Diaspora, Labour Recruitment and Transnational Migration**

One doctoral position within the area of the role of diasporas in labour or educational recruitment in the context of transnational migration. This entails research on how diasporas are related to the creation and channeling of workers or students in transnational migration. Empirical studies on how diasporic networks become nodes in transnational migration chains or how a diaspora becomes a space for circular migration are examples of potential studies within this project.

### **3. Gender and Generation in Diasporic Spaces**

One doctoral position within the area of gender and generation in diaspora. This entails research on how diaspora becomes a space where gender and generation intersect and are accentuated. Empirical studies on how gender and/or generational positions are re-negotiated transnationally are examples of potential studies within this project.

#### Benefits

The researcher will be employed by Department of Social Anthropology on a full-time basis as a PhD student, with a monthly salary of SEK 18076 (before taxes) and full social security benefits. The position also includes a yearly mobility allowance of between SEK 4202 and SEK 6003 (before taxes) as well as funds to participate in training activities of the CoHaB network and in international conferences.

#### Requirements

Applicants must:

- have a Master's degree (or equivalent) in the social or cultural sciences, or humanities with relevance for the position.
- have less than four years of research experience and must not yet have been awarded a doctoral degree





- not have resided or carried out their main activity (work, studies, etc.) in Sweden for more than 12 months in the 3 years immediately prior to their recruitment
- have previous experience (academic and/or extra-mural) in the field of diaspora studies or ethnic and migration studies
- have an excellent command of English (spoken and written)
- satisfy the eligibility criteria for fellowships in Marie Curie Initial Training Networks

Applications must include:

- a curriculum vitae (including information on nationality and place of residence for the past three years),
- academic record (including transcripts),
- letter of motivation,
- written references,
- a short proposal (maximum length 2,000 words) for a research project

Submit applications electronically, in a single PDF file, to:

[Registrar@su.se](mailto:Registrar@su.se) . Mark the file: **Dnr SU 617-0267-12**

Deadline for the application is **March 1 2012**. The successful candidates are expected to join CoHaB in Stockholm by **September 1 2012**.

The CoHaB website can be found at <URL CoHaB webpage, t.b.a.>.

CoHaB is committed to equal opportunities and encourages applications from all sections of the international community worldwide.

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