

## Call for applications University of Erfurt 47/2015

The Max Weber Center for Advanced Cultural and Social Studies at the University of Erfurt invites applications for two positions (26 h/week) of

### **Researchers in Ancient History of Religion (47/2015)**

within the research project „Lived Ancient Religion“ (directed by Prof. Dr. Jörg Rüpke). The position is to be filled from 1<sup>st</sup> November 2015 onwards. The initial contract is for the period up to 31 May 2017, but could be extended to a maximum of three years, if legal and personal requirements are met. The salary is according to TV-L E 13 (starting from brutto 41.926 p.a. resp. 65 % thereof).

„Lived Ancient Religion“ takes a completely new perspective on the religious history of Mediterranean antiquity, starting from the individual and “lived” religion instead of civic religion. “Lived religion” suggests a set of experiences, of practices addressed to, and conceptions of the divine, which are appropriated, expressed, and shared by individuals in diverse social spaces, from the primary space of the family to the shared space of public institutions and trans-local literary communication. The new members of the team we are looking for should work on a monograph on agents and processes of urban religion.

The group's methodological approach is defined through the notions of religious experience, embodiment, and “culture in interaction”. For further information see

<http://www.uni-erfurt.de/max-weber-kolleg/projekte/kooperationsprojekte/lived-ancient-religion/>.

The project is financed by the European Research Council.

As a member of the team, the researcher is obliged to also share the research tasks of the team, e.g. in preparing workshops, conferences, and publications.

#### **The ideal candidate needs to**

- have an excellent doctorate in History of Religion, Classical Philology, Ancient History, Ancient Judaism or Ancient Christianity
- have a far-above-average exam (MA) in one of these disciplines and to aim at a doctorate at the Max Weber Center based on her or his research project
- have a very good knowledge of English and German
- have excellent knowledge of the relevant ancient language(s)
- fulfil the general admissions rules of § 84 Abs. 4 Thüringer Hochschulgesetz.

Admission to the training program of the Max Weber Center includes the participation in interdisciplinary colloquia.

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The University of Erfurt is an equal opportunity employer and encourages in particular applications by women. Ceteris paribus seriously handicapped people will have preference.

#### **Deadline**

Please send your application with CV, copies of your final school and university degrees, a copy of your MA thesis (including evaluation reports) and up to three further publications, and a sketch of a research idea (3-5 pages) you would like to pursue until **30 September 2015** in electronic form to

[ursula.birtel-koltes@uni-erfurt.de](mailto:ursula.birtel-koltes@uni-erfurt.de)

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