

## **University College Freiburg invites applications for a Research Associate 50% (International Institutions)**

The **University of Freiburg**, founded in 1457 and situated in the heart of Europe, has 24,000 students, an academic staff of 4,500 and eleven faculties ranging from Humanities, Social Sciences, Natural Sciences and Medicine to Technical Sciences and Engineering Technology. The University of Freiburg consistently achieves top positions in university rankings.

**University College Freiburg** (UCF) has been established as the university's central facility for international, innovative approaches to instructional design, and hosts interdisciplinary research. UCF is now looking for a

## Research Associate (50%) in International Institutions.

This research position is funded by the University of Freiburg's Research Innovation Fund, initially for the duration of 6 months (October 2017 – March 2018). The main task of the research associate is to participate in the research project "Happily Ever After. Authority and Legitimacy of International Organizations in the Process of Treaty Monitoring". The successful candidate will work together with Dr. Liudmila Mikalayeva on developing the research proposal, which would offer further funding for the position. Additional funding possibilities, including teaching contracts, can be discussed.

The research project focuses on institutional innovations in international treaty monitoring: the ways in which treaty bodies of International organizations (IOs) exercise and expand their authority while monitoring the implementation of international treaties. The authority resources at the disposal of IOs, and the institutional innovations, aimed at developing and mobilizing authority resources are considered. The project uses conceptual tools from international relations and sociology of organizations to identify and explain variation in the use and success of innovations in different monitoring processes.

## We expect candidates to have

- an advanced degree, Master or doctorate, in International Relations, Political Science, Sociology of Organizations, or Public Administration,
- an interest in and experience of interdisciplinary research in the field of international institutions,
- first experience of independent research and publication, and
- very good knowledge of English.

Remuneration will be 50% on the TVL E 13 scale. Commuting to Freiburg for a part of the week is possible. For employees of the University of Freiburg it may be possible to expand an existing part-time contract.

Successful candidate will be expected to take up the position on October 1, 2017.

Please send your **application** (including CV, cover letter, and one writing sample) as **one** PDF file to mikalayeva@ucf.uni-freiburg.de by **August 20**; the attached file must not exceed 5 MB.

**Dr. Liudmila Mikalayeva** is available for questions by phone (+49 761 203 67441) or Email (mikalayeva@ucf.uni-freiburg.de).

