

Announcement of 10 positions in Vienna at the new “Wittgenstein Centre for Demography and Global Human Capital”

Applications are invited for up to 10 new appointments (pre-doc, post-doc to senior scientist) as part of launching the new **“Wittgenstein Centre for Demography and Global Human Capital”** which is being made possible by the substantial research funding associated with the Wittgenstein Prize (the highest Austrian science prize – also called the “Austro Nobel”) which was recently won by Wolfgang Lutz as the first social scientist in the history of this award. The new centre will rest on three pillars (the Vienna Institute of Demography, the World Population Program of IIASA and the WU – Vienna University of Economics) and aims at merging the existing strengths in the Vienna area in the fields of demography, human capital formation and analysis of the returns to education in order to establish a globally leading centre in this field. The main goal of the Centre is to improve the analytical toolbox and the empirical data base for our understanding of the role of human capital (people and their changing structure by age, gender, place of residence, level of education, health status and cognitive skills) vis a vis financial and natural capital in our strive for sustainable development. The focus of the new Centre is global and the working language is English. Anybody with academic credentials and/or serious aspirations in this field is encouraged to apply. Appointments will be made through one of the three “pillar” institutions (doctoral students will receive their degree from the WU-Vienna). The deadline for a first round of recruiting is 25 August 2010. First interviews will be held during the European Population Conference (1-3 September in Vienna).

To apply, please send your CV, personal statement as well as names and contact details of two referees to Heike Barakat (heike.barakat@oeaw.ac.at).