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Research positions for

1 Postdoctoral Researcher and 1 Ph.D. student

are available in the research group 'Comparative Cognitive Anthropology' at the Max Planck Institute for Psycholinguistics (Nijmegen, NL). The successful applicants will be expected to work on cognitive diversity across human cultures and play a key role in designing, implementing, analysing and writing up experiments.

The Post-doc stipend is initially available for 1 year (possibly extendable). The PhD position is available for up to 3 years.

Research Focus: The research group 'Comparative Cognitive Anthropology' represents a collaborative effort between the Max Planck institutes for Psycholinguistics and Evolutionary Anthropology and aims at experimentally studying cognition across diverse human cultures. Studies shall focus on questions about i) similarities and differences in physical and social cognition across diverse cultures, ii) the psychological mechanisms creating and maintaining cognitive diversity across groups and iii) ontogeny of social competence in human infants. The research group works in close cooperation with the Language and Cognition Group at the Max Planck institute for Psycholinguistics and the Department of Developmental and Comparative Psychology at the Max Planck Institute for Evolutionary Anthropology.

The Comparative Cognitive Anthropology group provides fully equipped research facilities, field budget, conference travel funds, full technical support and an active and innovative research environment.

Requirements: Applicants for the Post-doc position should have a PhD in Psychology, Biology, Cognitive Science, Cognitive Neuroscience, Linguistics or Anthropology. Applicants for the PhD position should have a master/diploma or equivalent degree in the previously listed areas. All candidates have to be willing to travel to, and conduct research in remote places in e.g. Africa or South East Asia, including rough working-conditions. Ideal candidates shall have prior experience with experimental methods, experience with field-research in developing countries and interest in the research areas of cross-cultural differences, social psychology of groups, cognitive development or cognitive evolution. Good statistical knowledge and mastery of foreign languages would be welcome.

Closing date for application: January 20th, 2009.

The Max Planck Society is an equal opportunity employer. Applicants should send their CV, a sample of their writing, and the names and e-mail addresses of at least two potential referees, citing 'Comparative Cognitive Anthropology' to:

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