

The Institute for Peace Research and Security Policy at the University of Hamburg (IFSH) is seeking, starting 1 February 2021 at the earliest and subject to the availability of funds,

1 part-time (50%) researcher (f/m/d) to support the Deep Cuts project. The position runs until 31 December 2022 and is based in Berlin, with a salary corresponding to EG 13 TV-AVH.

The IFSH is an interdisciplinary research institution based at the University of Hamburg and is funded by the Free and Hanseatic City of Hamburg. The research activities of the IFSH centre on the analysis of current peace and security developments as well as challenges with a focus on the Euro-Atlantic and Eurasian areas. The transfer of knowledge from research into politics and society is a fundamental component of the Institute's work.

IFSH since 2013 coordinates the work of the Deep Cuts Commission (deepcuts.org), a trilateral group of experts from Russia, the United States and Germany. The Arms Control Association in Washington D.C. and the Primakov Institute of World Economy and International Relations, Russian Academy of Sciences (IMEMO, RAN) in Moscow are project partners, with the active support of the German Federal Foreign Office. The project aims at actively participating in and contributing to the wider debate on weakened or non-functioning arms control regimes, conceptual improvements of existing stability mechanisms and a prospective analysis of destabilizing developments.

We are looking for a researcher to coordinate the work of the new Young Deep Cuts Commission, which will bring together 12 young experts from Germany, Russia and the United States. In coordination with the DCC, the Young Deep Cuts Commission will tackle arms control problems, discuss arms control issues and provide ideas for the Deep Cuts project, including through publication of joint papers. The coordinator of the Young Deep Cuts Commission will consult closely with the project head at IFSH as well as with the project partners in Moscow and Washington. Communicative competence, team orientation and initiative are required, some experience in managing research and policy transfer activities and knowledge of arms control and disarmament issues is necessary. The position is based at the IFSH Berlin office and offers an opportunity to work in small and nice team, close to the political heart of Berlin.

Your tasks:

- You will organize and lead the work of the Young Deep Cuts Commission, as part of IFSH's Deep Cuts project, and consult closely with the project team and international partners.
- You will coordinate publications and other research activities of the new Young Deep Cuts Commission and organize interactions with the Deep Cuts Commissioners.
- You are interested in arms control and disarmament, have ideally done research on relevant issues and published, possibly in the context of an ongoing PhD programme.
- You will disseminate the research results of the Young Deep Cuts Commission through transfer activities vis-à-vis national, international and transnational actors, through public events and active participation in international conferences as well as through social media.
- You will update the Young Deep Cuts Commission website and are responsible for its social media activities and outreach. You will organize internal discussions and debates on arms control and disarmament related topics.

Your profile:

- You have a degree relevant to the position (Master or equivalent) and some professional experience in the field of arms control and disarmament.
- You have gained initial experience in the independent management, organisation and implementation of scientific research and transfer projects.
- You have experience in organizing events and conferences and in website management.
- You have excellent written and oral knowledge of German and English. Russian language expertise is a plus.
- Communicative competence, team orientation and initiative are required.
- International research experience and networking ability is an advantage.

The IFSH has set itself the goal of promoting the careers of women and is therefore particularly interested in applications from women in areas where they are underrepresented. Women are given priority in these areas in accordance with the Hamburg Equal Opportunities Act, provided they have equivalent qualifications. Severely disabled persons are also expressly invited to apply.

Your application in the context of the advertised position should consist of a cover letter (including a short profile of your research interests), writing samples and a current CV. Please send all documents exclusively electronically to bewerbung@ifsh.de by 15 January 2021 (please send them as one single PDF file of maximum 8 MB in size).

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