

The European University Institute announces that the position of **Principal** will be vacant from September 2013.

The appointment is for a period of 5 years, renewable for another 3 years.

The Institute offers one of the world's largest and most distinguished postgraduate and postdoctoral programmes in the social sciences. A distinctly international organization, the European University Institute (EUI) was founded in 1972 by the original member states of the European Communities to provide advanced academic training and to promote academic research at the highest level. Today it has 20 member states, and hosts a community of scholars – roughly 55 full-time faculty, 30 part-time faculty, 600 doctoral candidates, 100 postdoctoral fellows, 100 visiting faculty and fellows, 130 academic assistants and research fellows as well as 170 administrative staff – drawn from over 50 countries. These individuals conduct research at the Institute's historic campus in the hills above Florence in the areas of Political Science and Sociology, Economics, Law and History.

The Principal directs the Institute in close cooperation with professors, researchers and administrative staff; therefore the future Principal should:

- be an internationally recognized scholar, preferably in one of the EUI's disciplines;
- have a good understanding of European affairs;
- have senior management competence and experience, preferably acquired in a university or other high-level research institution, or have held positions of responsibility at a national or international level;
- have experience of working in an international context;
- demonstrate an ability to promote the EUI in different arenas.

Responsibilities of the Principal will include the management of cultural diversity, for which proficiency in at least two European languages will be an asset.

All applications will be reviewed by a Search and Selection Committee. The selection procedures are available on the EUI website. Shortlisted candidates will be asked to provide a supplemented dossier, including the names of three referees and a paper outlining their views on the strategic development of the Institute. Shortlisted candidates will also be called for an interview (to be conducted in English) on 31 October 2012 in Florence.

The EUI offers a competitive salary and benefits package to the successful applicant. Candidates should apply directly to the EUI, with a full CV enclosed. Applications should be sent electronically to:

ssc.principal@eui.eu

Closing date for applications: 1 October 2012

For further information, please write (in confidence) to:

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