



Actors, Markets, and Institutions in Developing Countries: A micro-empirical approach (AMID)

*Marie Curie Initial Training Networks (ITN)
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******* Early Stage and Experienced Researcher Fellowships *******

Applications are invited for **Early Stage Researcher (ESR)** and **Experienced Researcher (ER) Fellowships** funded as part of Marie Curie Initial Training Networks, under the European Commission's Seventh Framework Programme. The project will run from **1 September 2008 to 31 August 2012**. During this period the fellowships will sponsor young researchers at one of five participating institutions:

Bocconi University (Italy)

Paris School of Economics (France)

Facultes Universitaires Notre-Dame de la Paix à Namur (Belgium)

London School of Economics and Political Science (UK)

Stockholm University (Sweden)

The partners in the proposed ITN are dedicated to producing the next generation of research scholars working on development issues in Europe. The ITN will harness and combine intellectual resources which are scattered across Europe to offer doctoral students a first rate training, comparable to the best opportunities available worldwide. The Network will emphasise rigorous empirical methods put to the service of fundamental questions in development economics. The work will evolve around three workpackages: WP1 (Human capital and policy evaluation) will investigate how households respond to incentives, design policies to improve education and health, and evaluate their impact. WP2 (Market access for the poor) will study market imperfections in insurance, credit, product and labour markets and evaluate the effectiveness of innovative schemes to address them. WP3 (Institutions: Micro evidence) will study the emergence of social norms, the legacy of historical institutions, their implications for governance and accountability, and the economics of conflict. Training will involve student exchanges across nodes, participation in team research projects, and support for students' travel and field work. The distinguishing features are: (a) formal coursework with emphasis on rigorous empirical methods and exposure to other disciplines in PhD courses, workshops and summer schools; (b) active participation in data collection and field projects in developing countries, attained through participation in (often multidisciplinary) team research projects and internships with industry partners and NGOs. Fieldwork experience is an essential element of training for development economists, but is rarely offered in doctoral programs; (c) opportunities to forge relationships with faculty and students throughout Europe through exchanges, workshops, and virtual networks.

Requirements:

Pre-Doctoral Researchers (Early Stage Researchers)

- Must be in the first 4 years (full-time equivalent) of research career since gaining a university diploma (Masters) giving access to doctoral studies.
- The length of individual appointment will be limited to between 3 and 36 months.
- The basic living allowance for the Early Stage Researcher Fellowships is **up to 33.800 €/year** + mobility allowance + travel allowance + career exploratory allowance. (This is gross amount and all taxes and social security charges will be deducted in accordance with the employment law of the country of the host institution)

Post-Doctoral Researchers (Experienced Researchers) - Please note, there are only 6 ER months left at Bocconi University

- Must either be in possession of a doctoral degree or have at least 4 years of full-time equivalent research experience;
- The research experience may not exceed 5 years at the time of appointment.
- The length of individual appointment will be limited from 3 to 12 months.
- The basic gross living allowance for the Experienced Researcher Fellowships is **up to 52.000 €/year** + mobility allowance + travel allowance + career exploratory allowance. (This is gross amount and all taxes and social security charges will be deducted in accordance with the employment law of the country of the host institution)

All candidates must **NOT** be nationals of the country where they seek employment, or have legally resided or have had their main activity in that country for more than 12 months in the 3 years immediately prior to the starting date.

For more information on the recruitment and allowances please see *Annex III to the Grant Agreement* (Pages 8 – 11): ftp://ftp.cordis.europa.eu/pub/fp7/docs/fp7-mga-annex3intramulti_en.pdf

Submission:

An application should be sent to **CEPR** at rtnrecruitment@cepr.org. **AMID** in the subject line has to be mentioned.

- o **CV and Cover letter** of interested candidates (including details of 3 referees)
- o **Completed Eligibility Questionnaire**, available at:
http://www.cepr.org/research/Projects/AMID_Eligibility_questionnaire1.doc

Application Deadlines:

- 1) Application deadline: December 31, 2010 - Notification: by January 21, 2011
- 2) Application deadline: March 31, 2011 - Notification: by April 21, 2011
- 3) Application deadline: June 31, 2011 - Notification: by July 21, 2011

All applications will be reviewed every 3 months and successful applicants will be notified before a given date.

For further information on these vacancies please contact Cathy Leech, Projects Assistant at: cleech@cepr.org



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