



Globalization, Investment, and Services Trade (GIST)

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***** Early Stage and Experienced Researcher Fellowships *****

Applications are invited for **Early Stage** and **Experienced Researcher 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 the participating institutions:

Universität Linz, Austria

University College Dublin, National University of Ireland

Stockholms Universitet, Sweden

Centro Studi Luca D'Agliano, Italy

Wiener Institut für Internationale Wirtschaftsvergleiche, Austria

Services are currently of great interest and importance to both policy-makers and businesses in Europe, and are a major factor in maintaining European growth and competitiveness over the coming decades. Previously, data relating to the interactions between trade flows, regulatory regimes and the European political economy has been inconsistent and fragmented. Now, thanks to the efforts of the EC, OECD and World Bank more harmonised and accessible data is available. This provides an important opportunity for the introduction and development of doctoral dissertations. The goal of the network **Globalization, Investment, and Services Trade - GIST** is to develop a cohort of researchers in Europe focused on international trade and Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) in the service sectors, and to integrate this network with the policy community.

The service sector has traditionally been treated as a sector whose outputs are purely non-tradable. As a result, the existing body of research on international trade and trade policy is focused almost entirely on agriculture and manufacturing and research on multinationals and foreign direct investment is also focused on manufacturing firms and industries. Yet, while economists, political scientists, geographers, and institutional scholars remain focused on the set of international regulatory systems governing merchandise trade, dramatic changes have moved services from non-tradable to the realm of tradability. The geographic anchor of services has been cast loose, as the telecommunications revolution has changed the nature of activities that can be traded.

GIST will explore these developments in the work package **Theory of cross-border trade and FDI** which will explore the growing importance of services in all OECD countries, the limited tradability of many services, the deregulation of service markets and FDI liberalization policies. Real world changes in the ownership and structure of service-sector industries create a need to revamp the regulatory structures governing these sectors. Europe, they also raise important issues regarding management of the single market. This has already led to tension within the EU over the setting of rules for the service sector. The work package **Trade, regulatory interaction, and the political economy of integration** will deal with these aspects. Research in this network will also focus on **Empirics of trade and FDI interactions**.

Early Stage Researcher Fellowships

- Must be in the first 4 years (full-time equivalent) of their research career since gaining a university diploma giving access to doctoral studies.

- The length of individual appointments will be limited to between **3 and 36 months** (with a preference for longer term appointments).
- The basic gross living allowance for the Early Stage Researcher Fellowships is **up to 34.500 €year** + mobility allowance + travel allowance + career exploratory allowance

Experienced Researcher Fellowships

- 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 appointments will be limited from **3 to 12 months**.
- The basic gross living allowance for Experienced Researcher Fellowships is **up to 53.000 €year** + mobility allowance + travel allowance + career exploratory allowance

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 pages 8 to 11 of the document entitled *Annex III to the Grant Agreement*:
ftp://ftp.cordis.europa.eu/pub/fp7/docs/fp7-mga-annex3intramulti_en.pdf

CVs and a cover letter of interested candidates (including details of 3 referees) should be sent to **CEPR at rnrecruitment@cepr.org mentioning GIST in the subject line**. Please also complete the **Eligibility Questionnaire** which you can find at:
http://www.cepr.org/RESEARCH/Projects/GIST_Eligibility_questionnaire1.doc

Please indicate which institution(s) you would like to be considered for.

For further information on these vacancies please contact Claudia Piccioni at:
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