

Senior Research Fellow/Senior Research Advisor in Spatial planning

Nordregio is inviting applications for a senior position in Spatial Planning

Nordregio conducts strategic research in the broad field of regional studies, including sustainable urban development and maritime spatial planning. We provide policy relevant knowledge with a Nordic, European, Arctic, and Baltic Sea Region perspective. Our main stakeholders are policymakers and government officials at national and regional authorities in the Nordic countries and the European Union, as well as private and public organisations. Nordregio has a multidisciplinary international staff, primarily within social sciences. We are located in the attractive surroundings of Skeppsholmen in the heart of Stockholm, Sweden. The institute was established in 1997 by the Nordic Council of Ministers, and is built on more than 50 years of Nordic collaboration.

Working at Nordregio provides with the opportunity to become part of a truly international research environment. It offers significant career development potential in terms of enhancing your competences through applied and policy relevant research, achieving an international network of contacts, as well as getting extensive experience in project management. You will also get rich opportunities to collaborate with regional and municipal stakeholders in the Nordic countries.

Nordregio is currently seeking to expand its research team with a Senior Research Fellow or Senior Research Advisor in spatial planning, with a special focus on sustainable and liveable Nordic cities, the interconnection between urban and rural issues, and between terrestrial and maritime spatial planning.

Qualifications

For this position, you have at least 6 years of relevant work experience and an extensive network of research and policy contacts. As a Senior Research Fellow you hold a *PhD* in urban or regional planning, human geography, civil engineering, architecture, landscape architecture or an equivalent discipline. For the position as a Senior Research Advisor the requirement of a PhD is replaced with at least six additional years of relevant work experience as a professional planner in a private consultancy or at municipal, regional or national authorities

Competences

With the responsibility to initiate, attract and lead externally funded research and innovation projects, a position as a **Senior Research Fellow** or **Senior Research Advisor** requires you to be experienced in project development and project management. The geographic scope of your field of interest includes a European and international perspective and expert knowledge in at least one of the Nordic countries.

A successful applicant has working and/or research experience aligned to at least one of the following fields:

- Urban-rural relations and interdependencies
- Maritime spatial planning and land-sea interactions,
- Spatial analysis and the role of digitalisation in urban development.

Additionally, you are familiar with planning theory, territorial governance and different planning systems.

We appreciate abilities in external networking, experience in fundraising and in communication with stakeholders. Internally we appreciate cooperation skills, project management, and interests in analytical work. You are assumed to be creative and self-motivated, but you are also performing well in a cooperative research environment.

Fluency in English is essential, and if you do not speak a Scandinavian language, you should be willing to acquire a working knowledge of Swedish or another Scandinavian language within a relatively short period of time. Some degree of fluency in other Nordic or foreign languages is an additional advantage.

Additional details and contact information

Nordregio intends the position to be full time from August 1, 2018, or as soon as possible. We offer competitive salaries and a term contract with a maximum length of four years. Subject to further agreement the contract can be renewed for up to another four years. Also, according to the agreement "Avtale om rettstilling for samnordiske institusjoner og deres ansatte" if you are employed by the State in a Nordic country you are entitled to leave of absence from your present position for the duration of your employment at Nordregio.

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For further information about Nordregio, see <u>www.nordregio.se</u>.

Upload your application including a CV and references on <u>https://norden.emply.net/recruitment/vacancyAd.aspx?publishingId=8a6df6b9-aef3-41do-aff8-</u> c466089c6751

No later than 23 April, 2018.