

# JOB DESCRIPTION

<b>Vacancy reference:</b>	SRF33610
<b>Post Title:</b>	Postdoctoral Researcher Economics (CUBE/INHABIT)
<b>Grade:</b>	6
<b>School/Department:</b>	School of Politics Economics & International Relations (SPIER)/Economics
<b>Reports to:</b>	Professor Marina Della Giusta
<b>Responsible for:</b>	N/A

## Purpose

The Post Doctoral Researcher will carry out research related to the CUBE Project (Contrasting Unconscious Bias in Education) funded by Pearson and consisting of the implementation and evaluation of a teacher training programme in primary schools in Italy, Germany, Spain and the UK in the first year of the post.

For all four years they will also contribute to the University of Reading input into the INHABIT project, a Horizon 2020 grant from the EC that aims to test visionary and integrated solutions and foster inclusive health and wellbeing in four small and medium size cities: Cordoba (Spain), Riga (Latvia), Lucca (Italy) and Nitra (Slovakia).

## Main duties and responsibilities

CUBE has already been running for one year and the researcher will be responsible for:

- helping with the evaluation of the programme.
- communications with the project managers in the four countries where the intervention is taking place
- contributing to publications arising from the project.

## INHABIT

The project has a strong focus on gender and diversity. The team at the University of Reading is specifically responsible for one work package, which aims to enable behavioural changes with a specific focus on gender and diversity. The postholder will therefore work on ensuring the team delivers all the work-package outcomes, including behavioural games, gender landscapes.

The researcher will be able to work in collaboration with other partners of INHABIT, including other academic organisations, consultancy, NGOS as well as local government officials in the four cities that are part of the project. More specifically, the job holder will be required to:

- design and implement behavioural games aimed at soliciting individuals' preferences in the four cities
- design and implement gender landscapes
- analyse a range of data and write reports, briefings and handbooks
- contribute to relevant journal articles

**Supervision received**

It is envisaged that the job holder will be able to carry out a series of activities related to the projects independently and also to take initiative. However, the job holder will receive detailed and specific guidance on a regular basis and when needed from Marina Della Giusta, Giovanni Razzu and Sophie Clot.

**Contact**

The post requires a great deal of contacts with external organisations that are part of the INHABIT consortium across Europe.

**Terms and conditions**

This is a part time (0.6FTE) appointment, fixed term for 4 years. There are no specific hours of work, but the appointee will be required to work such hours as are necessary to carry out the duties associated with the post. The post will be based at the University of Reading and include occasional travel to the INHABIT project countries.

**Date assessed: October 2020**

# PERSON SPECIFICATION

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Postdoctoral Researcher Economics (CUBE/INHABIT)	SPEIR/Economics

Criteria	Essential	Desirable
<b>Skills Required</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ability to carry out independent research in all its stages, including design, management and completion</li> <li>• Ability to engage effectively with a range of organisations</li> <li>• Ability to collect, store and analyse data on a wide range of issues and write clearly and effectively</li> <li>• Ability to design and implement behavioural games and gender landscapes</li> <li>• Excellent communication skills, both verbal and written</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ability to carry out a range of administrative tasks associated with the management of the project</li> </ul>
<b>Attainment</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• PhD completed or near completion</li> </ul>	
<b>Knowledge</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Working knowledge of Behavioural science, Economics, gender</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Working knowledge of Urban studies, health and well being issues</li> </ul>
<b>Relevant Experience</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Experience of independent research, as proven by PhD studies</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Relevant journal publications in behavioural economics, gender, health and well-being, urban studies</li> </ul>
<b>Disposition</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Interest to contribute at all levels of the INHABIT project</li> <li>• Interest in assuming responsibility and taking initiatives</li> <li>• Interest in collaborating with colleagues on the projects</li> </ul>	

Completed by: Marina Della Giusta	Date: October 2020
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