

**Postdoctoral researcher on the “LifeCycle - Early-life stressors and LifeCycle health” project
International Migrations and Minorities Research Unit**

2-year contract from January 2019

Description of the Institute

The French Institute for Demographic Studies is a public research institute. Its missions include conducting cutting-edge research in all fields relating to demography and population studies, and informing the public of its research results and activities. Interdisciplinary in its recruitment, Ined includes 250 permanent employees, as well as numerous associated researchers, foreign visiting researchers, doctoral students and postdoctoral researchers.

Through a partnership with the National Institute of Health and Medical Research (Inserm), Ined participates in the "LifeCycle: Early-life stressors and LifeCycle health" research project, funded through the Horizon 2020 scheme. The project leaders at Ined are Lidia Panico (demographer and epidemiologist) and Mathieu Ichou (sociologist).

Project objectives

The LifeCycle project aims to establish a European network of birth cohorts by bringing together several existing studies. The objective is to explore the importance of living conditions and environmental factors in early childhood on children's developmental trajectories, from a comparative perspective. The characteristics studied include socio-economic background, migration status, and geolocalized information such as pollution or access to services. The Ined team focuses on the characteristics of immigrant parents, the context of sending and host countries, and the impact of these characteristics on the well-being of young children.

Project tasks

The recruited postdoctoral researcher will carry out statistical analyses of the new French birth cohort (Elfe) and coordinate comparative analyses with other international cohorts. He/she will contribute to writing scientific reports and journal articles, and attend project meetings at which he/she will present intermediate results. The postdoctoral researchers will update and maintain the project web page.

Profile

This position is open to candidates holding (or about to obtain) a PhD in demography, sociology, social epidemiology, economics or other related disciplines.

Candidates must have excellent quantitative skills, particularly in handling complex and/or longitudinal data. A demonstrated interest in and knowledge of early childhood issues (socio-economic, family, health and well-being characteristics) and/or international migration will be appreciated.

Appointment terms

The position is a full-time post to be filled from January 2019 (start date negotiable with the successful candidate), on a 24-month fixed-term contract.

The monthly salary for this position will be at least 2 668€ gross, depending on experience.

In addition to working on the LifeCycle project, the postdoctoral researcher will be able to devote 20% of his/her time to his/her own research. This could include preparing and publishing articles from previous research projects, launching or continuing an independent line of research, developing their own research network, or preparing applications for future funding or job opportunities. In addition, the successful candidate will have a dedicated workspace with a computer, access to the Institute's subsidized canteen, a budget to attend conferences, and methodological training as required.

The Ined charter for contractual researchers can be found on the Ined website:

<https://www.ined.fr/fichier/rte/General/Recherche/Postdocs/Charte-chercheurs-contractuels.pdf>

Place of work: Ined, 133 boulevard Davout - 75020 Paris; then Aubervilliers (Campus Condorcet) from mid-2019.

Occasional travel within Europe will be required.

How to apply

Full applications must be sent electronically, under the reference "LifeCycle Postdoctoral Researcher" to Mathieu Ichou (mathieu.ichou@ined.fr) and Lidia Panico (lidia.panico@ined.fr) before **29th October 2018**.

Applications must include:

1. A detailed CV
2. A cover letter (maximum 2 pages)
3. Two writing samples (with their publication status)
4. The contact details of two references who can be contacted after the pre-selection.

Shortlisted candidates will be interviewed remotely on 19th and 20th November 2018.