

### **Description of the employer**

L'Institut national d'études démographiques (INED) is a public scientific and technological institution in France. Its mission is to conduct research on various demographic issues (such as fertility and family, health and mortality, and migration) and to inform the public and researchers of current developments in the field. INED has 250 staff members (including tenured and contractual researchers and other staff members, as well as PhD students) and it also hosts many affiliated researchers. INED works with a wide network of national and international research partners.

### **Context of the job**

We are looking for a researcher to work in the *"Social Inequalities in the risk and aftermath of miscarriage (SOC-MISC)"* project financed by the European Union (ERC Starting Grant, Horizon Europe Programme, Grant agreement ID: 101077594). The principal investigator (PI) of the project is Dr Heini Väisänen.

The researcher will be working as part of the SOC-MISC team, which is hosted at INED in the Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights research unit (UR14), and which collaborates with partner institutions in Finland (University of Helsinki and the Finnish Institute for Health and Welfare) and the UK (University of St Andrews).

The aims of the project include:

- Analysing underreporting patterns of miscarriage and use this information in further analyses to obtain more reliable results than before.
- Showing how social inequalities affect miscarriage risk over the life course.
- Establishing how health consequences of miscarriage depend on one's social background and may widen social inequalities in health.
- Uncovering the role of context in social inequalities in miscarriage.

The project will lead to a better understanding of miscarriage and make policy recommendations. See the project website for more information <https://soc-misc.site.ined.fr/en/>.

### **Main tasks of the researcher**

The researcher brings methodological and substantive expertise to the project. The researcher will focus on analysing the experience of miscarriage using mixed methods. The role involves secondary data analysis of survey and administrative data, as well as a possibility to collect and analyse a small qualitative database about miscarriage experiences. Another key task is the dissemination of the project results for academic and non-academic audiences. The researcher is invited to bring their own ideas shaping these tasks. Also, a proportion of time (20%) can be used on independent projects.

### **Specific tasks and conditions**

The researcher will work mainly on the following tasks:

1. Quantitative analysis of survey data focusing on British cohort studies (BCS1970 and NCDS) as well as other quantitative datasets used in the project.

2. Designing, planning and conducting collection and analysis of qualitative data exploring experiences of miscarriage.
3. Scientific publication activities such as preparing and submitting manuscripts for publication in scientific journals; presenting project results at academic conferences; and constructing an international catalogue of miscarriage data.
4. Dissemination of the results to non-academic audiences via project website, social media and other suitable formats.
5. Organising and attending meetings with other team members, partner institutions, the advisory board and other stakeholders.

### **Profile of the candidate**

The candidate should have a PhD (or be close to completing one) in a field such as demography, sociology, social epidemiology, public health, human geography or in another social science field.

Knowledge of quantitative and qualitative research methods used in social sciences is required.

The candidate must have strong oral and written knowledge of English; and working oral and written knowledge of French is desirable.

Independent thinking; strong communication and organisational skills; and ability to work independently and collaboratively in an international team are required.

Experience on working on a population or sexual and reproductive health research topic is desirable.

Experience in outreach activities to the scientific community, policy makers and/or the general public are desirable.

### **General Information**

START DATE	1 September 2024 (or as soon as possible thereafter)
DURATION (FIXED-TERM OR SECONDMENT)	18 months
WORKING HOURS:	Full time 37 hours 55 mins per week 32 days annual leave and 10 days RTT (statutory additional leave for those working more than 35 hours per week)
OPTIONS FOR REMOTE WORKING	Yes (maximum 2 days per week)
REMUNERATION	According to internal remuneration scale and experience (minimum €2871 and maximum €3732 gross per month)
LOCATION	INED Campus Condorcet 9 cours des Humanités, Aubervilliers, France Metro line 12: Front populaire
ADVANTAGES	Company restaurant – Staff association Modern and green neighbourhood

## **Application Process**

APPLICATION DEADLINE	<b>15 May 2024</b>
APPLICATION PROCESS	Please send your cover letter (max. 2 pages) and curriculum vitae including a list of publications in English or French before the application deadline by email, with the subject line “Researcher SOC-MISC”  To: <a href="mailto:recrutements@ined.fr">recrutements@ined.fr</a> and <a href="mailto:heini.vaisanen@ined.fr">heini.vaisanen@ined.fr</a>
CONTACT	Please send your questions about the job to Dr Heini Väisänen ( <a href="mailto:heini.vaisanen@ined.fr">heini.vaisanen@ined.fr</a> ) under the reference “Researcher SOC-MISC questions”.