Competition: no. 2019.01 (position open in 2019)

INED is recruiting

2 tenured researchers
Demography and associated disciplines

INED will recruit two tenured researchers in 2019. For one of these two posts, priority will be given to researchers working on topics relating to Population and Societies in Africa:

- General profile
- Specific profile relating to Population and Societies in Africa

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, training junior researchers, and informing the public of its research activities. Thanks to its ten research units, INED encourages exchanges between disciplines and conducts a world-class research programme.

Post: Research scientist
Qualification required: PhD
Location: INED, Paris 20th arrondissement
No age, gender or nationality requisites

Competition opening date: 20th December 2018
Deadline for applications: 21th January 2019


For any questions relating to the administrative part of the application, candidates can contact the « Bureau des concours chercheurs »: Cécile Sirot-Molmy, telephone: +33(0)1.56.06.20.60, sirot@ined.fr.

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General profile

Context
INED recruits researchers whose work focuses on various population issues. INED’s research priorities for the years ahead include four areas:

- Updating the analysis of demographic phenomena (trends and determinants of fertility; contraceptive behaviours and pregnancy outcomes; new forms of unions; housing and residential arrangements; health and mortality; the links between population and environment, etc.)
- Understanding individuals’ lifecourses, their different life stages, and their relationship to their context (childhood and youth, the work-life balance, health trajectories, longevity and ageing, etc.);
- Examining the interactions between actors and public policies (the evaluation of public policies, including social, family, and migration policies);
- Developing research on population mobilities (spatial mobility, migration and integration).

INED’s research can cover various geographical areas (France, other European countries, the global South), and several historical periods (20th and 21st centuries, but also 18th and 19th centuries). Our research is based on a long tradition on collecting data by conducting original surveys.

Description of post
The successful applicant will receive tenured status. They will undertake their research and scientific production within one or two research units. They will participate to INED’s communication and research organisation activities. They will contribute to research-led training of students and postdoctoral researchers.

Qualifications
The applicant will have a PhD in a discipline relevant for population studies (demography, sociology, economics, history, geography, anthropology, epidemiology, medicine, statistics, etc.) and expertise in quantitative techniques applied to social sciences.

Desired experience
A range of experiences (working within different research units or institutes, teaching, experience abroad, survey work, organizing research events, etc.) will be appreciated, as well as an openness to interdisciplinary work and to multi-method approaches (for example, quantitative and qualitative techniques).
Specific profile for Population and Societies in Africa

Context
INED conducts a range of research in the demographic dynamics in Africa, a continent undergoing contrasting and unprecedented transitions, such as the dramatic decline in life expectancy in southern Africa in the 1990s as a result of the AIDS epidemic, and the rapid, but fragile, reduction in fertility in North Africa, compared to continuing high fertility in parts of West and Central Africa. At present, population growth in Africa is the highest in the world and its poverty rate remains elevated. Many sustainable development goals are far from being met, particularly in sub-Saharan Africa. There is considerable international demand for a better understanding of the obstacles to lower fertility in certain countries.

INED’s contribution is crucial to our ability to describe and explain these developments and examine their economic, social and policy implications within a multidisciplinary approach. For this region, INED is involved both in the production of data—at a local and longitudinal level—and in the analysis of national surveys and international databases for larger-scale comparisons.

Description of post
The successful applicant will conduct research to contribute to our understanding of demographic dynamics in Africa (fertility, marriage patterns, mortality, migration), in relation to its underlying drivers: relations between genders and generations, family structures, economic development, school enrolment, urbanization, environment, etc. The data used may be both at local and national level.

The researcher will join the “Demography of global South populations” research unit [UR15]. They may also join another research unit according their research interests.

Qualifications
The successful applicant will have a thesis in demography or in another population science (sociology, economics, geography, statistics, etc.), using a quantitative approach.

Desired experience
Sound knowledge of the region studied. Field experience with data collection would be an asset.