

Call for Research Proposals Wim Duisenberg Research Fellowship Programme

Function

The European Central Bank (ECB) is seeking applications from leading senior professionals in academia, central banks and research institutions for the Duisenberg Research Fellowship. Fellowship positions are awarded annually.

Successful candidates will be offered an assignment in the Directorate General Research (DG/R) for a period of between three and eleven months in the 2015 calendar year.

DG-R contributes to the ECB's monetary policy and its other tasks and functions by conducting economic research and providing research-based policy advice and analytical tools. In particular, DG-R conducts research in the fields of monetary economics, finance and macroeconomics, and develops, maintains and uses econometric models for forecasting and policy analysis.

The aim of the Wim Duisenberg Research Fellowship Programme, which was established in 2006, is threefold:

- promote policy-relevant research that meets the highest academic standards;
- offer research staff at the ECB the opportunity to gain exposure to, and experience in, the most recent advances in economic research; and
- give prominent scholars the opportunity to gain an insight into the policy-making environment of the ECB.

The successful applicant will be entrusted with the following main tasks:

- Conduct economic research on issues of relevance to the ECB.

Qualifications and experience

Selected candidates will hold a PhD from a leading university and have outstanding publication records.

The programme is aimed at senior professionals from academia, central banks and research institutions. Candidates should be internationally recognised experts in their field of research who wish to take a period of leave or a sabbatical from their current place of work.

Research fellows will conduct their activities on the ECB's premises in Frankfurt am Main and will be encouraged to interact with ECB staff members, both in DG-R and in other business areas. They will have access to the ECB's library, and to the computing facilities and statistical data necessary to conduct their research successfully.

While at the ECB, research fellows will be expected to complete a research paper of an empirical or theoretical nature for presentation at internal seminars and external conferences, and for publication both in the ECB's Working Paper Series and in a leading journal. A proposal for a research project must be presented by candidates as part of the application procedure.



Successful candidates will be offered a monthly allowance in line with the seniority of the described profile.

Closing date for applications: 30 April 2014

Further Information

Applications should be submitted in English and must include:

- a detailed curriculum vitae, including details of the candidate's publication record;
- a one-page summary of the research work that the candidate would like to carry out at the ECB, specifying the objectives of the work, the methodological, statistical and computing requirements involved, and the approximate time necessary for completing the research and preparing one or more submissions to the ECB's Working Paper Series. Furthermore, the candidate is invited to explain how he or she expects to benefit from interaction with ECB staff.

Applications should be submitted by e-mail to WDFP@ecb.europa.eu.

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