



Post-Doctoral Fellow in Deep Time Spatial Analysis of Language

The Geographic Information Systems Unit at the University of Zurich (UZH) invites applications for a post-doctoral fellow position in spatial and statistical analysis of deep time processes. The position is associated with the interdisciplinary Swiss National Science Foundation project “Linguistic Morphology in Time and Space” (LiMiTS), a collaboration with groups in general and comparative linguistics. The position is housed in the UZH Department of Geography and its internationally known GIScience Center. The appointment will be made for 3 years (starting 01 February 2016).

The position is particularly well suited to early career academics who aim to build their profile in research and benefit from interdisciplinary collaborations with highly motivated researchers and a high profile research agenda. The question of how linguistic morphology spreads over space – continental to global scales – and time – over the last 10000 years – lies in the heart of a fundamental understanding of the origins and diffusion of human language.

Ideally, the substantive domains of contribution focus on GIScience, spatial statistics, computer science or Bioinformatics. A completed PhD in one of these fields or a related domain is required. A strong background in quantitative data analysis, (spatial) statistics, and computational modelling is a prerequisite. The successful applicant will also have a profound interest in collaborating in an interdisciplinary research team and in developing an understanding of linguistic research problems. Applications from women and under-represented groups are highly encouraged.

For more background information about this position, please visit us at <http://www.geo.uzh.ch/gis>. For informal inquiries contact Robert Weibel (robert.weibel@geo.uzh.ch).

Send CV and publication list, a brief description of your past research, and contact details for three referees (incl. e-mail addresses) **in a single PDF document, and with reference “PDF_LiMiTS_2016”**, to annica.mandola@geo.uzh.ch by **30 November 2015**.