



The Arnold-Bergstraesser-Institute at the University of Freiburg is calling for applications for a position as:

Post-Doctoral Researcher (100%)

For the ERC-funded project *“The Political Lives of Migrants: Perspectives from Africa (PolMig)”*. Focusing on Africa, PolMig considers how migrants define political agency, enabled or disabled by politicisation processes of belonging in postcolonial state contexts. Drawing on this research, PolMig advances an Afrocentric understanding of political migrant agency with global relevance. The position is scheduled to last for **four years from 1st May 2025 until the 30th April 2029**.

Your profile:

- Completed PhD (ideally by May 2025) in political science, sociology, anthropology or other social science;
- Previous research work on citizenship/belonging, political participation, migration states, migrant agency, resistance or post-colonial / de-colonial approaches;
- Knowledge and experience using various qualitative research methods, participatory research methods is an advantage;
- Previous research experience in the Global South, preferably in the region;
- Strong analytical and writing skills;
- Excellent verbal and written communication skills in English;
- Strong communication skills and ability to work cooperatively in a team;
- Interest and experience in multimedia communication of research results (preferable, but not essential);
- Publication record in international journals (preferable, but not essential).

Your tasks:

- Contribute to the project by conducting research on political agency of migrant communities in Ghana or Kenya using a range of qualitative and participatory research methods;
- Up to 6 months fieldwork in either Ghana or Kenya within the four years;
- Help to develop, plan and conduct workshops, seminars and events related to the project;
- Contribute to and work on publications, discuss research findings at workshops and conferences.

We offer:

- Friendly and supportive work environment at the Arnold-Bergstraesser-Institute and within the PolMig research team;
- Salary according to the levels set by the public sector agreements TV-L E13;
- Funds for conference and workshop travel.

The deadline for applications is on the **27th December 2024**. Please send your complete application documents, including a letter of motivation, a CV, a writing sample, the name of two referees and certificates, in one PDF file to polmig@abi.uni-freiburg.de. Please specify that you are applying for the position related to **PolMig PostDoc Position** in the subject line of the email and in your application.



If you have questions there will be an information event on **the 12th December at 14h30 CEST**, which is an opportunity to informally ask questions about the project or the application process (register [here](#)). Otherwise please contact Dr. Franzisca Zanker via email franzisca.zanker@abi.uni-freiburg.de. There will be a two-step recruitment process scheduled to take place between 20th January and 14th February 2025.

The ABI's personnel policy is based on the principles of equality and diversity (AGG). We welcome applications from people with underrepresented backgrounds in academia.



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