

Job advertisement

The Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung Regional Office for Cooperation and Peace in Europe, based in Vienna, is seeking a

Researcher for Democracy and Economics Starting from 1 September 2020

The Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung (FES) is an independent and non-profit organization, committed to the ideas and fundamental values of social democracy and the labour movement. The new thematic office "Future of Democracy" of the FES Regional Office for Cooperation and Peace in Europe is based in Vienna. It will focus on the question of how democracy can be renewed in the entire geographical area of the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe (OSCE). The office will analyze trends, and develop new concepts and ideas with other institutions and think tanks. These will then be discussed with political decision-makers, experts, and representatives of society. The network of FES offices in the OSCE area gives us the opportunity to conduct an inclusive dialogue on the future of our political system in the entire region. The Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung functions as a political network and consulting organization for and with the political institutions of the EU, the Council of Europe and the OSCE.

Main tasks

- Follow debates on democracy and autocratization in the OSCE region
- Design, implement, evaluate, and follow-up on events (also online) and consulting projects
- Write brief analyses and policy papers
- Design scientific studies
- Report on project work and political developments in the OSCE region
- Ensure targeted communication of political contents
- Network with think tank community and political institutions
- Acquire funding

Background and qualifications

- University degree in Social and/or Economic Sciences (M.A./diploma)
- Profound knowledge in the core areas of work: democracy, rule of law, protection of fundamental rights
- Extensive knowledge of economics
- Relevant work experience of at least 2 years
- Strong analytical skills
- Knowledge of the OSCE desirable
- Experience of project and event management/design
- Excellent networking, teamwork and negotiation skills
- Innovation, commitment and flexibility
- Very good knowledge of English, both spoken and written, knowledge of German desirable, further language a plus.
- Willingness to travel
- Austrian work permit

We offer

- An exciting and challenging job in an international environment
- A dynamic freshly established team

- Attractive remuneration, appropriate under Austrian law: from EUR 2900 gross, plus a lump sum of EUR 300 for overtime, additional payment according to skills and experience, 14 monthly salaries
- Professional training opportunities

General information

Information on the work of the Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung is available online at fes-vienna.org and www.fes.de

Please send your application exclusively by email by 27 August 2020 to Ms Julia Zöllner, democracy@fes-vienna.org with the subject line "Democracy and Economics".

The application documents must include: a letter of motivation (max. 1 page), a CV (max. 2 pages, no photo), at least two letters of reference.

If you have any questions regarding the application, please call us on +43 (0) 1 890 3811 15.