

Research assistant ReCentGlobe / ANCIP Database (10hrs/week)

The joint research network African non-military conflict intervention (ANCIP) seeks to fill the above position beginning from 01 October 2024 onwards. The ANCIP network has been launched in April, 2022 at the Research Centre Global Dynamics (ReCentGlobe), Leipzig University, Peace Research Institute (PRIF), and the Institute for Development and Peace (INEF), University of Duisburg-Essen. The project is generously funded for four years by the Federal Ministry of Education and Research (BMBF), under its scheme of "Promotion of research groups in the field of peace and conflict research. The ANCIP competence network combines empirical research with theory building and strategic policy advice. The project focuses on non-military intervention practices of the African Union (AU) and selected regional economic communities (RECs), so far neglected in academic literature (i.e., ECOWAS, EAC, and IGAD). The network aims to strengthen expertise on non-military actors relevant to peace and security policies on the African continent.

The above position will support the sub-project "ANCIP Portal" which is based at the ReCentGlobe in Leipzig and reconstructs non-military conflict intervention practices of the African Union, IGAD, and ECOWAS in a database.

About the position

- Research assistant position for 12 Months BA/MA
- 10 hours per week

Duties

- Systematically analyze official documents for particular conflict situations in Africa?
- Record data in Excel spreadsheets and/or the web-based database software Nodegoat according to categories developed within the project
- Support the team and accompany research tasks
- Administrative support to the project

Requirements

- Knowledge of and interest in African regional organizations (particularly AU, ECOWAS, IGAD)
- BA/MA (ongoing) in related fields (political science, IR, media science, global studies, African Studies, Digital Humanities)
- Thorough and systematic work ethics
- Ability to work independently and communicate within a work environment
- High proficiency in English (spoken and written)
- Experience in recording tabular data (preferable)
- Experience with or knowledge of political conflict data (preferable)

What we offer

- Attractive working conditions and flexible working hours
- Desk and working environment at Research Centre Global Dynamics (ReCentGlobe)
- Hands-on insight into database construction, as well as data cleaning and analysis
- Young, dynamic, and trans-disciplinary research environment
- Regional expertise on conflicts, interventions and mediation on the African continent

Please email your application (CV, brief motivation letter) as a single PDF file to [elisabeth.warnck@uni-leipzig.de; vincent_j.schober@uni-leipzig.de] by 30 July 2024. Please note that it is not possible to guarantee confidentiality and rule out unauthorised access by third parties when communicating by unencrypted email.

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