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## Postdoctoral Fellow Position “Sustainable urban planning in a framework of network governance” (AD-201707)

A two-year Postdoctoral position is available at the [Department of Architecture and Planning](#), in the Urban Ecological Planning group. The position will be linked to one/both of the topics listed here below:

Topic A) Role of network governance in attaining goals of sustainability in projects for urban development

Topic B) Planning processes and governance networks for urban development in situations of uncertainty

### Description

The Department of Architecture and Planning is organised around four study programs - Architecture, Real Estate and Facilities Management, Physical Planning and Urban Ecological Planning. The position will be linked primarily to the group working in the field of Urban Ecological Planning, in collaboration with the Physical Planning group.

The group consists of 5 scientific staff and has ambitions of expanding its research portfolio as well as educational content in the program for Urban Ecological Planning on the above listed areas.

The Postdoctoral position is expected to reassess the governance processes in the real context of sustainability to underpin an evidence-based analysis of the complex planning and urban development practices. The Postdoctor should contribute to understanding of the modes of governance that are emerging in reality and should provide the evidence needed to target reform of poorly performing arrangements. The role of differential levels of power and influence different actors exercise in governance processes and the role of citizens in multi stakeholder processes will be of special interest.

The research area that the post doc candidate will be involved in is centred around a presumption that social, environmental, economic and political instabilities have become central concerns for urban governance and planning, which impede the ability of professionals and decision-makers to make projections and predictions that are capable of effectively guiding future urban development. More specifically, cities around the world need to cope with the increasing frequency of climate change impacts, financial instabilities, armed conflicts and forced migration. The growing income inequalities and chronic poverty magnify these uncertainties, making cities socially, environmentally and economically more vulnerable and fragile. The need to address urban uncertainties in planning and governance processes, also within a framework of long term sustainability is central to the work expected of the candidate.

### Work description

The call for applicants is available for candidates with a PhD degree. The successful candidate will be expected to initiate and participate in writing of research proposals for external funding agencies/ strategic funding at NTNU, co-authored articles in peer reviewed scientific journals and participation in ongoing projects in the group. The candidate will also be expected to contribute to other forms of dissemination activities initiated by the group, such as seminars, conferences and popular publications. She/he would also be involved actively in the existing international networks of the group and contribute to expanding these networks for research collaboration.

### Qualifications

Applicants have to address strictly the following selection criteria:

#### Required

- A highly motivated candidate with high-grade PhD degree within urban planning, geography or related field (see details below in connection to each topic).
- Experience with writing scientific articles for peer reviewed journals
- A high level of personal responsibility, initiative, and ability to work in a project team.
- Excellent knowledge of written and spoken English.
- Ability to work independently and to take initiatives.

#### Desired

- Experience with coordinating of and writing research proposals
- Ability to guide Master students in relevant topics.
- Excellent communication skills in both academic and practice contexts
- International network within the field

### Conditions

Postdoctoral candidates are remunerated in code 1352, and are normally remunerated at gross from NOK 497 000 per annum before tax. There will be a 2% deduction to the Norwegian Public Service Pension Fund from gross wage. The appointment of the Postdoctoral fellows will be made according to Norwegian guidelines for universities and university colleges and to the general regulations regarding university employees.

The Postdoctoral fellowship is awarded for 2 years, with the possibility of extension for another two years.

Further information about the position may be obtained from Rolee Aranya, Department of Architecture and Planning, NTNU, Trondheim. Email: [rolee.aranya@ntnu.no](mailto:rolee.aranya@ntnu.no)

The engagement is to be made in accordance with the regulations in force concerning State Employees and Civil Servants. The positions adhere to the Norwegian Government's policy of balanced ethnicity, age and gender. Persons with immigrant background are encouraged to apply. NTNU's objective is to increase the number of females in scientific positions. Female applicants are therefore encouraged to apply.

#### **The application**

The application must contain information of educational background and work experience, motivation letter, grade transcripts, a short project description on maximum 2 pages, and other enclosures such as recommendation letters and scientific publications. The applicant must clearly state in the cover/motivation letter to which topic (A or B or both) is applying. Applications without this statement and without a cover/motivation letter will not be considered.

Certified copies of academic diplomas and certificates, copies of transcripts and two reference letters should be enclosed. Applications with CV, grade transcripts and other enclosures should be submitted via this webpage at [www.jobbnorge.no](http://www.jobbnorge.no)

Anticipated commencement for the position: no later than January 1st 2019, in agreement with the Department.

**Mark the application with AD-18/25937.**

The application must be submitted via the link shown in this webpage. The application sent to the contact persons and not through the dedicated webpage will not be considered.

**Application deadline: September 28th 2018**

## **Tilleggsinformasjon**

**Arbeidssted:**