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**Faculty of humanities**

## Postdoctoral position in history within the project “The Hidden Companies of the Global Economy”

The Norwegian University of Science and Technology (NTNU, Trondheim), Department of Historical Studies, offers a full-time 3-year Postdoctoral position within the project "The Hidden Companies of the Global Economy: the Development of Global Commodity Traders, 1945-2015", funded by the Norwegian Research Council (NFR) and NTNU. The postdoctoral scholar will work with Associate Professor Espen Storli (NTNU).

The project will investigate the development of global commodity traders after 1945. Secretive and anonymous, a handful of large companies dominate the trading of the basic commodities that the modern world needs to function. Due to their low profile, these companies have been characterized as the “hidden companies” of the global economy. This project will focus on the history of specialized metal and oil trading companies to increase our understanding of the historical development of the global flow of resources and of economic globalization. The postdoctoral project will contribute towards the full project by developing a subproject analyzing issues relating to the historical development of commodity trading companies.

Applicants should hold a PhD in history or a related field.

The desired starting date is January 1, 2015.

The salary for the fellowship is set at Norwegian state salary NOK 482 500,- (2014)

To receive a full description of the research project, please contact Associate Professor Espen Storli, [espen.storli@ntnu.no](mailto:espen.storli@ntnu.no). Any other inquiries concerning the post should also be directed to him.

The application, marked with HF 14-021, with attachments should be submitted electronically via JOBBNORGE by clicking on the button marked “APPLY FOR THIS JOB”.

Please notice that applications sent by e-mail will not be considered.

Complete applications include:

(1) a brief statement of interest, (2) a project proposal outlining how the postdoctoral project will contribute towards the bigger project of not more than five pages, (3) a full CV, (4) one representative publication, and (5) the names and e-mail addresses of two references.

Appointments will be made in accordance with the current regulations for universities. The successful applicants must agree to the conditions that apply to public employees. A contract will be drawn up regarding the period of appointment and required duties. Work place will be at NTNU and primary residency in Trondheim is a prerequisite.

The appointment of the postdoctoral fellow will be made according to Norwegian guidelines for universities and university colleges. It is a major political objective to achieve a balance of age and gender in the national labour force and to recruit persons with an immigrant background. Immigrants and women are therefore encouraged to apply for the positions.

Applicants that are considered for the position will be asked for references and invited to an interview.

The application deadline is October 15<sup>th</sup>, 2014.

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