IRSS is looking for a researcher in the field of epidemiology of public health and humanitarian crises

Context: The Centre for Research on the Epidemiology of Disasters (CRED) has been active for over 40 years in the fields of international disaster and conflict health studies, with activities linking relief, rehabilitation and development. The Centre promotes research, training and technical expertise on humanitarian emergencies, particularly in public health and epidemiology. It is composed of a multidisciplinary and international team of researchers and technical and administrative staff.

Job description: We are looking for a researcher who has experience or is interested in the field of public health in humanitarian crises, related to natural disasters or civil conflicts. Depending on the profile of the researcher, he/she could work on one or more of the following projects/tasks, although other tasks can be foreseen as well:
- The SCORCH project, on improving heatwave preparedness for countries in the EU Neighbourhood. Tasks include both qualitative and quantitative data analysis;
- CE-DAT, the complex emergencies database containing nutrition and health information from conflict theatres. Tasks would include expanding and updating the database with small scale surveys from different countries;
- Programme development, including keeping track of calls for proposals, writing research proposals, liaising with operational agencies (NGOs), multilateral institutions (UN, EU, among others), and other academic institutions.

Duration: Initially 6-month contract, renewable (from September 2019 onwards)

Profile:
· The candidate shows an interest in public health problems in disasters and humanitarian settings
· The candidate has a master's degree in public health medicine, epidemiology, economics, sociology, or any relevant subject, obtained with distinction
· The candidate has quantitative and/or qualitative skills, and is experienced with associated software (e.g. R, SPSS for quantitative; ATLAS.ti, nVIVO for qualitative)
· Good knowledge in written and spoken English is required. French is desirable but not mandatory
· Ability to be autonomous but also work in a team, overcome challenges and be proactive.

Application: Please send the CV and letter of motivation to Dr. Joris van Loenhout (joris.vanloenhout@uclouvain.be)

Salary: Salary according to official University regulations.

Deadline: Open until 24th of July 2019.

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