

IRSS is looking for a Researcher / Project Manager for an EU-funded Project

Context: The Centre for Research on the Epidemiology of Disasters (CRED) 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: SCORCH is a project funded by the European Civil Protection and Humanitarian Aid Operations (DG ECHO). The aim is to collect good practice examples of national heatwave plans in European Member States, and translate this information to European Neighbourhood countries (i.e. Tunisia, Israel, Georgia). The project is carried out within a consortium of five partners. The researcher will use the following research methodologies:

- Perform a desk review of national heatwave plans;
- Undertake key informant interviews with stakeholders in EU Member States;
- Carry out population surveys in European Neighbourhood countries.

In addition, the researcher is expected to manage the project within UCL, which consists of preparing deliverables, reporting to the project coordinator, and monitoring the finances of the project, under the supervision of a senior researcher. As part of the position, the researcher is expected to teach, present at scientific conferences and publish in peer-reviewed journals. Regular travelling is expected of the researcher. The researcher is also expected to support the team in other ongoing activities.

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

Profile:

- The researcher has a master's degree in public health, medicine, epidemiology, social science, or any relevant subject, obtained with distinction
- The researcher shows an interest in public health problems in disasters, in particular heatwaves
- The researcher has experience with quantitative and qualitative research methods
- The researcher has experience in managing projects
- 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: January 8th 2019.

For any further information, please consult the following website: www.cred.be or contact Joris van Loenhout at the following e-mail address: joris.vanloenhout@uclouvain.be