

**Post-Doctoral Fellow
in Transitional/Post-War Dynamics
in Syria and/or Iraq**

Striking from the Margins, Phase 2

Center for Religious Studies

Starting date: As soon as possible
Application deadline: March 31st, 2020
Full- Or Part-Time: Full-time

The Center for Religious Studies at Central European University invites applications for a **post-doctoral fellow position** for the second phase of the research project *Striking from the Margins (SFM)*. The position will be granted for **a period of 18 months, starting as soon as possible**. Applications are invited from researchers working on issues related to **transitional and/or post-civil war settings in Syria or Iraq**. Based in Budapest, the position will also entail regular activities at the CEU Vienna campus and with various international and local partners there and in the Middle East.

The first phase of *Striking from the Margins* charted novel analytical and conceptual departures into addressing the complex dynamical relations between state, religion, and society in the rapidly changing context of the Middle East. The second phase, starting now, will consider dynamics of transition from civil war and civil strife to various possible forms of settlement, accommodation, reconciliation, and reconstruction – political, economic and social.

SFM is supported by the Carnegie Corporation of New York.

For more information please visit www.strikingmargins.com.

This post-doctoral fellowship will be offered to an early or mid-career researcher who will pursue their own research profiles and agendas within the framework of the project. They will join CEU faculty members from across various disciplines, along with external colleagues and members of partner institutions, in contributing to a coherent research program. The fellow will be expected to conduct original empirical research, with appropriate analytical elaboration to be published and disseminated in print and digitally.

Eligibility

- Eligible applicants should have held a doctoral degree for a period of more than five years and have a demonstrable record of promise in a related area.
- The applicant is expected to have extensive experience of the region, including mastery of relevant languages.
- The applicant is expected to have a keen interest and experience in cross-disciplinary work in the social sciences.

Tasks and expectations

- The fellow is required to be in residence at CEU for the duration of the fellowship except for agreed field research trips abroad, participation in international networks, and the usual seasonal holidays. While this position is based in Budapest, the project regularly mounts several activities at CEU's Vienna campus and elsewhere, including in the Middle East.

- The fellow is expected to participate fully in the life and the internal as well as external activities of the project.
- The fellow will be expected to provide a mid-term narrative report and a final narrative report.
- The fellow will be expected to post research results and other materials on the project website and to publish articles in significant venues. It is expected that the fellow will be working towards the preparation of a monograph.
- The fellow will be expected to play a major role in preparing the concluding international conference with participants from both the research and policy communities and to produce the edited volume of the proceedings together with other team members.
- The fellow is expected to acknowledge clearly affiliation with the project, CEU, and Carnegie Corporation of New York in contributions to publications and during participation at events in conjunction with their role in the project.

Compensation

- The fellow will be required to enter into a definite term employment contract with Central European University, will benefit from the usual research facilities in place, and will be eligible for support for field research.
- We offer a competitive salary that is commensurate with experience as well as a dynamic and international academic environment.

How to apply

The application package should include:

- A full curriculum vitae, including a list of publications.
- A detailed cover letter.
- A summary research proposal, and a fuller version of the proposal including bibliographic references.
- A sample article or analytical research report published or unpublished.
- The names and contact details of three referees.

Interested candidates should apply via e-mail to advert022@ceu.edu. Please include the following job code in the subject line: 2020/022

Requests for additional information should be sent to Esther Holbrook, Coordinator of the Center for Religious Studies (religion@ceu.edu).

Applications will be processed on a rolling basis and shall not be accepted for consideration any later than **March 31st, 2020**. In addition to the present call, the project is currently filling the position of a post-doctoral junior research fellow with a gender studies focus as well as that of a scientific program coordinator.

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