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on the Social and Political Constitution of the Economy

## Two Doctoral Grants in Transnational Governance and Institution Building

The International Max Planck Research School on the Social and Political Constitution of the Economy (IMPRS-SPCE), conducted jointly by the Max Planck Institute for the Study of Societies and the University of Cologne, with the University of Duisburg-Essen as an associated partner, invites excellent candidates to apply for its doctoral program.

The doctoral projects, to be supervised by Prof. Dr. Sigrid Quack (University of Duisburg-Essen), are to examine trajectories of transnational governance and institution-building in specific policy fields. Topics of potential interest include the constitution of epistemic and governance authority, polycentricity and regime complexity, the role of social movements and NGOs in transnational governance, and struggles over accountability and legitimacy in transnational institution building. Policy fields of particular interest are the governance of cross-border labour markets, regulation of the digital public sphere, intellectual property rights, international migration, and climate change.

Candidates with an MA (120 ECTS credits) or the equivalent in political science, sociology, organization studies, or related fields are welcome to apply. Applicants are expected to have a strong interest in pursuing an academic career.

Research at the IMPRS-SPCE explores the relationship between the modern economy and its social and political foundations. The graduate school features a unique curriculum including core courses and research methods as well as summer schools, opportunities to spend time at partner institutions, and the possibility of pursuing a joint German and French doctoral degree (cotutelle). Doctoral researchers take part in the intellectual life of the Institute and the two universities. For more about the program, see our websites (links below).

The grants are for 1,468 euros per month plus a health insurance subsidy of 100 euros and an optional family allowance. Contracts are for 15 months, extendible to a total of 42 months following positive evaluations. The working language of the IMPRS-SPCE is English. We offer fully equipped, shared offices in Duisburg and Cologne, access to extensive internal and external library services, and an international research environment.

Grants will start on October 1, 2017. Please apply online by **May 19, 2017** using the online application form at [imprs.mpifg.de](http://imprs.mpifg.de) > **Admission** with a cover letter, CV, a sample of your work (from your project work or MA thesis), an overview of potential dissertation topics with commentaries (max. 5 pages), and your certificates with an overview of final grades.

The Max Planck Society and the University of Duisburg-Essen are equal opportunity employers.

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