The Max Planck Institute for the Study of Societies (MPIfG) in Cologne is seeking to appoint a

**Postdoctoral Social Scientist in the Field of Private Wealth Research**

for a project led by Professor Jens Beckert. The project is funded by the Leibniz Prize of the German Research Foundation (DFG). The starting date for the position is **January 1, 2021**, or by agreement. To read more about the “Wealth in Germany: Structures, Continuities, and Fractures” project, please go to [www.mpifg.de/projects/leibniz-research-group](http://www.mpifg.de/projects/leibniz-research-group).

The successful candidate is expected to have a background in quantitative research, an excellent PhD in Sociology, Political Science, or Economics, a publication record appropriate for an early-career researcher, an outstanding knowledge of quantitative methods and database building, and an excellent command of German and English.

Opportunities exist for the holder of the position to work on a habilitation and to teach within the International Max Planck Research School on the Social and Political Constitution of the Economy (IMPRS-SPCE; [http://imprs.mpifg.de](http://imprs.mpifg.de)). The position is initially limited to three years in accordance with the German Fixed-term Employment in Higher Education and Research Act (WissZeitVG), but there is an option to extend by a further three years following a positive mid-term evaluation. Pay and benefits are in accordance with the German public service wage agreement (TVöDBund).

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The closing date for applications is **November 1, 2020**. Please apply online by going to [www.mpifg.de/karriere/ausschreibungen_en](http://www.mpifg.de/karriere/ausschreibungen_en) and uploading a two-page statement of your interest in the research topic and in this project specifically, your CV, copies of your certificates, a list of publications, a journal article of your choosing, and the names and addresses of two referees. Please upload the files in a single PDF document.

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