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## Doctoral position in the “Sociology of Markets” research cluster

The *Max Planck Institute for the Study of Societies (MPIfG)* in Cologne is offering a doctoral position to run from **October 1, 2016**, in the research cluster “Sociology of Markets” (Prof. Jens Beckert).

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The successful candidate should be interested in pursuing a dissertation on “the future in economic action,” “illegality in markets,” or “wealth distribution and social inequality” (see [www.mpifg.de/index\\_en.asp](http://www.mpifg.de/index_en.asp) > Research > Sociology of Markets). Applicants must hold a two-year masters degree with excellent grades (or equivalent qualification) in sociology or an associated field. They should also have a very good knowledge of methodology.

The doctoral position is offered as an employment contract at level TVöD 13/2 on the German public service pay scale (TVöD-Bund). It is awarded for 15 months, with an option for an additional 27 months pending a positive evaluation. Doctoral students participate in the *International Max Planck Research School on the Social and Political Constitution of the Economy (IMPRS-SPCE, <http://imprs.mpifg.de>)* in cooperation with the University of Cologne; the FAQs on the IMPRS-SPCE site explain students’ degree options. The working language at the School is English. We offer a fully equipped office, access to extensive internal and external library services, and an international research environment.

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