Research Unit Visiting Scholars Programme

Call for spring / summer 2017

The Bank of Finland’s Research Unit (RU) invites applications for the Visiting Scholars Programme. The Programme is designed to enhance the Bank’s research excellence in the key areas of interest for the Bank, i.e. macroeconomics, financial stability and financial markets. Research projects are conducted at the Monetary Policy and Research department.

Practical arrangements

Timing

Visiting Researchers are expected to start at any time between February 2017 and June 2017, subject to agreement between each individual researcher and RU.

Duration

Research visits usually last between one week and three months. We expect Visiting Researchers to stay with the RU for the entire duration of their visit.

Applicants

Candidates should hold a doctoral degree in Economics or Finance. Priority will be given to new visitors.

Relationship with RU

We encourage Visiting Researchers to participate fully in the research life of RU, for example by attending RU research seminars, seminars run by the Bank of Finland BOFIT Unit and other events related to research. We expect Visiting Researchers to present their own research in a seminar whilst they are visiting RU, and to submit a paper to our Discussion Paper Series.

Funding

The salary is commensurate with the Visiting Researcher’s professional background, experience and the Bank of Finland wage scale. We also reimburse a round-trip economy class travel to Helsinki.
Computer facilities and desk space

We provide the Visiting Researchers with a Bank of Finland login and email address, enabling them to use computer facilities at RU. We also provide office space as well as access to all RU facilities, including data, libraries and computer resources.

Accommodation

We help in finding accommodation in Helsinki during the visit. We do not, however, cover accommodation expenses for the visitors.

How to apply

Applications should be sent via e-mail to research@bof.fi by December 15, 2016.

The selection process will take place in the latter part of December and the applicants will be informed of the outcome of their applications by December 31, 2016.

Application materials

Your application should include the following:

- A cover letter including your contact details and the preferred timing of the visit.
- A summary of the suggested research project in English.
- A detailed CV together with a copy of recent research papers.
- Applicants who have recently completed their doctorate are encouraged to submit two letters of reference evaluating their qualification.

Contact details

Please direct any enquiries about the Visiting Scholars Programme to:

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