The 'Munich Center for the Economics of Aging' (MEA) at the Max Planck Institute for Social Law and Social Policy offers **a full time position** for an experienced

## **Survey Specialist**

in the research project 'Survey of Health, Ageing and Retirement in Europe' (SHARE). SHARE is the largest social science panel study in Europe. The data set combines extensive cross-national information on socio-economic status, health, and family relations of Europe's elder population. In five waves since 2004, information was collected on more than 85,000 individuals aged 50 and older in 21 countries, including retrospective life histories. The German sub-study contains about 6000 participants.

The position is limited to two years with the possibility of further extension.

Your tasks will include:

- Ongoing conceptual and technical development of the Blaise-implemented CAPI questionnaire in English
- Developing and managing test routines for the software packages (Sample Management System and CAPI questionnaire)
- Supervision of survey translation process and liaison to national teams providing support on questionnaire-related issues
- Support in operational tasks such as tracking down deliverables from contractors

The successful applicant will have the following education, skills and competencies:

- university degree in social sciences, economics, public health, epidemiology, demography, statistics, or a related field (with or without PhD)
- Experience with testing survey software and communicating with software programmers
- Proven experience in cross-national, input-harmonized surveys
- excellent command of spoken and written English, good skills in additional languages used in SHARE will be considered a plus
- extensive knowledge of quantitative data analysis and statistical software (STATA, SPSS, etc.) and MS Office applications
- track record of self-organized & highly proactive working style
- team player mentality with proven management experience
- interest in own research on substantive or methodological topics (willingness to pursue a PhD for pre-doc applicants)

We welcome both pre- and post-doc applicants. Compensation will be in accordance with German TVöD and the relevant experience of the candidate. A generous benefits package

complements this attractive job in an international, team-oriented research endeavour. Place of employment is Munich. SHARE is an equal opportunities employer and encourages applications from men and women, including disabled people, from all cultural backgrounds and ethnic origins.

Please submit a complete application quoting **reference number 20-15** in one single pdf file (CV, cover letter, copies of degrees and certificates) **by 17 November 2015** to **Dr. Frederic Malter (malter@mea.mpisoc.mpg.de)** and <a href="mailto:hr@mpisoc.mpg.de">hr@mpisoc.mpg.de</a>.

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