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The Institute of Environmental Radioactivity is looking for Qualified Researchers

Dear Colleagues,

I am sending you this letter to announce that the newly established Institute of Environmental Radioactivity at Fukushima University is now accepting applications for research positions at the institute. If you could forward this information to qualified members within your scientific community and/or any other persons/organizations you feel suitable, it would be greatly appreciated. Thank you in advance for your assistance.

Sincerely,

Dr. Takayuki Takahashi
Vice President of Research
Director of the Institute of Environmental Radioactivity
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1. Overview of Position

The Institute of Environmental Radioactivity (hereon IER) was established on July 1st, 2013, as an open hub for advanced research on the movement of environmental radioactivity. IER is run under joint administration by Fukushima University and other partner universities / research institutions from around the world.

In order to scientifically clarify the movement and long-term effects of radioactivity to the environment being caused by the Fukushima Daiichi Nuclear Power Plant Accidents, projects at the IER will take place in a variety of environmental fields, such as forests, rivers, lakes, and the ocean. Researchers at IER will be responsible for running projects with support from partner Japanese and international universities / research institutions. IER is looking for applicants who are proactive members of the scientific community, and are eager to conduct research and field studies on topics related to aforementioned issues.

For details on the type of projects being initiated at the IER, please refer to our website (<http://www.ier.fukushima-u.ac.jp>) or contact us directly at the contacts provided on the next page.

2. Job Description / Number of Positions Available

(1) Researcher

(2) Intermediate-term : 10 positions, Short-Term: 4 positions

3. Length of contract

Intermediate-term : 1 ~ 3 years after signing employment contract

Short-term : within 1 year after signing employment contract

4. Qualifications

- (1) Applicants must possess a doctoral degree
- (2) Applicants must be willing to move to Fukushima City or somewhere in its surrounding regions

5. Date of Employment

To be determined after consultation with successful applicant

6. Salary

Annual wage will be determined after applicant's previous employment history is taken into account. Commuting and living allowances will be provided. Severance packages will not be available.

7. Deadline for Application

September 30th, 2013

8. Required Documents for Application

- (1) Resume (to be enclosed with a photograph of applicant) 1 copy
- (2) Curriculum Vitae (Research papers, published books, international symposia, patents, etc. Please mark 5 key works with a O) 1 copy
- (3) Overview of external funds obtained for research 1 copy
- (4) Published works / papers marked as key works in (2) (Photocopies are accepted) 1 copy (per)
- (5) Synopsis of Previous Research Work (approx. 300-400 words · no specified format) 1 copy
- (6) Synopsis of any work related to Environmental Radioactivity movement following the nuclear accident 1 copy
- (7) Research Plan (Please use attached format) 1 copy
- (8) Two Personal References (must include a contact number and address) 1 copy

9. Method of Selection

Both resume and research history will be taken into account in the selection process. If determined necessary, an interview will be conducted. Applicants will be responsible for travel expenses to the interview.

10. Address for Submitting Application

Fukushima University Administrative Office for Institute of Environmental Radioactivity (IER)
1 Kanayagawa, Fukushima City, Fukushima Prefecture
960-1296 Japan

(please send all applications using registered mail)

11. Contacts

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Research Plan
(Institute of Environmental Radioactivity at Fukushima University)

Name of Researcher _____.

Research Theme	
Expected Duration :	~
Purpose of Research	(relevancy to projects run by the Institute of Environmental Radioactivity, intended use of IER facilities and equipment, etc.)
Research Plan and Methods	(research background, current preparatory state of research ,future research plans/approaches, facilities and equipment necessary for research, etc.)
Expected Outcomes	
Other Comments	