

## Call for Applications

# NUPI-OSCE Academy Research Mentoring

NUPI and the OSCE Academy are recruiting six former students of the OSCE Academy to write one academic article each during the period 2018–2019. Applicants must have completed their MA degree at the OSCE Academy at the time of the application. They are expected to write an article in cooperation with and under the mentorship of NUPI staff and publish it in an international peer-reviewed journal. Prioritized topics include but are not limited to energy, economy, climate change or China's role in Central Asia. Candidates should suggest topics, but NUPI may also propose topics for them. Applicants should be highly diligent, responsive, flexible and accurate. Non-performing contributors may be dismissed from the project.

### Tasks

- Develop research design, gather primary and/or secondary data, write a paper and publish it in a peer-reviewed academic journal
- Create a shorter policy brief for the Academy's policy brief series based on the research paper
- Follow the guidance from the mentors
- Present the paper in an open event at the OSCE Academy
- Participate in two internal workshops. Flexibility concerning dates will be required. The first workshop is tentatively planned for 12-13 May 2018 at the OSCE Academy.
- Work actively to ensure that the published article is widely disseminated using social media, email and other channels.

### Finances

A stipend of NOK 70 000 (equivalent to ca. EUR 7000) will be supplied to each researcher (total for the two years 2018 and 2019). Recipients will be responsible for covering any taxes necessary under Kyrgyz legislation regardless of whether they are based in Kyrgyzstan or not. Travel, accommodation and meal costs in connection with workshops will be covered in addition.

### Applications should include

- A short application letter (max 1 page)
- Your CV (max 2 pages)
- A sample of your written work (MA thesis, essay, article...)
- MA degree grading sheet including GPA
- Suggestions for 2-5 topics that you would like to work on, the more specific the better

### Submission

- **Deadline 16:00 Bishkek time 6 April 2018.**
- Submit application to [Malin.Ostevik@nupi.no](mailto:Malin.Ostevik@nupi.no)
- In the subject line of your application email, write "Research mentoring application"

Any questions can be addressed to Indra Overland at [ino@nupi.no](mailto:ino@nupi.no)

