

## DOCTORAL POSITION in "Neolithic and Bronze Age conflict and conciliation"

The new Cluster ROOTS – Social, Environmental, and Cultural Connectivity in Past Societies in the frame of the German Excellence Initiative explores social, environmental, and cultural processes that have substantially shaped past human development (and which are still active today). Research is organized in six research units (i.e. subclusters) covering six foci: (1) Environmental hazards and impacts; (2) Dietary intake and disease; (3) Knowledge production, technology, and innovation; (4) Population agglomeration and urbanisation; (5) Social differentiation and inequalities; and (6) Conflict and conciliation. The ROOTS 'Reflective Turn' will enable cross-disciplinary dialogue and enquiries within and between research foci, providing an overarching theoretical frame.

Research Associates and PhD students participate in the ROOTS Young Academy. The ROOTS Young Academy brings together young experts from an array of disciplines, which support ROOTS research with innovative research ideas. The Young Academy provides young researchers with excellent conditions for a successful career and personal development.

We invite applications for the **Doctoral Position „Neolithic and Bronze Age conflict and conciliation“** to begin as early as possible.

**Profile:** Archaeology, Material Studies

The successful candidate shall conduct research on conflict scenarios in the Central and/or Northern Europe. The focus of this research shall be on artefacts, enclosures, settlement structures and depositions assessed in terms of conflict potentials. In the frame of the project, the candidate should contribute to the identification of conflict indicators on the base of analytical material studies methods. This project preferably considers not only violence and violent escalation but also de-escalation and conciliation in prehistoric periods.

Integration into the research agenda of 'ROOTS of Conflict and Conciliation' is expected, as well as co-operation with other sub-clusters.

**Required qualifications:** Eligible candidates must hold an excellent university degree (MA, MSc or equivalent) in Pre- and Protohistoric archaeology, and knowledge on prehistoric societies and material cultures.

We are seeking a highly qualified and motivated doctoral fellow to conduct high-quality interdisciplinary research within the frame of ROOTS. The graduate program is jointly offered by academics of the Humanities, Mathematics and Natural Sciences, and Life Sciences. The Doctoral Candidate will be hosted by the ROOTS Young Academy and will be affiliated with the Johanna Mestorf Academy at Kiel University ([www.jma.uni-kiel.de](http://www.jma.uni-kiel.de)). Innovative research ideas are supported by the extensive infrastructure and Graduate Centre at Kiel University. The position holder will be eligible to apply for research funds. Supervision will be provided generally at an interfaculty level by supervisors from two different disciplines. Salary will be at 65% (currently 25,16 h/week) of level TV-L 13 of the federal wage agreement scheme (Tarifvertrag der Länder). The term is fixed for a period of 3,5 years (42 months).

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Kiel University is an equal opportunity employer and is committed to increasing the proportion of female scientists in research and teaching, and strongly encourages female applicants. Women will be given preference in case of equal suitability, competence, and professional performance. The University is also committed to the employment of disabled person, and such individuals will be accorded preference if suitable.

Applications by people with a migration background are particularly welcome.

Please address your application (cover letter; CV (including list of publications); the proposed doctoral project (max. 1500 words), including a brief summary, state of the art, a concise project description, and a work schedule; and the name of two references with contact information; a copy (in .pdf format) of your master-thesis or proof of equivalent qualification; certificates of academic degrees) as **one single .pdf document** until **4<sup>th</sup> October 2019** to:

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All documents must be submitted in English, with the exception of the copy of the master-thesis.

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