Vacancy for researcher on ergonomics and working conditions at the ETUI

About the ETUI:

The European Trade Union Institute is an international non-profit-making organisation established under Belgian law. Based in Brussels, it provides research and training support to the European Trade Union Confederation.

The Institute has three main objectives:

- conducting research, producing studies and monitoring European issues of strategic importance for the world of labour while building bridges between the academic and research communities and the labour movement;
- promoting education and training activities, programmes and exchanges that strengthen a European trade union identity;
- providing technical support in the field of occupational health, safety and protection so as to promote a high level of health and safety protection for workers in Europe.

About the position:

Within a dynamic international environment, you will work in a team of around 7 researchers that covers a broad spectrum of occupational health and safety and working conditions issues from a European perspective. Your main task will be to design, conduct and manage in co-operation with your colleagues - research projects on ergonomics with a particular focus on standardisation and musculoskeletal disorders and translate the evidence into policy recommendations. You have a broad vision of occupational health and safety and are able to connect your field of expertise with related issues, e.g. work organization and psycho-social risks. To this end, you are expected to remain informed about developments in your fields of expertise and identify trends, anticipate future developments and propose initiatives. Further, you are expected to represent ETUI at meetings in European occupational health and safety bodies and take part in international and European professional networks and to maintain contacts with universities, other research bodies and trade unions. You will also organise workshops, seminars and conferences, and publish the results of your research in ETUI publications, external specialised journals and other media. Additionally, you will provide expertise in support of European trade unions.

You will also assist in the coordination of ETUI networks composed of trade unionists, researchers and health and safety practitioners.

Requirements:

- University degree or equivalent with relevance to occupational health and safety issues including ergonomics;
- At least 5 years' experience in occupational health and safety activities or research;
- knowledge of the European Union and the European institutions;
- knowledge of the European trade unions;
- good communication and team-working skills;
- excellent knowledge of English or French (working language). Knowledge of other European languages is an advantage;
- familiarity with standard computer applications;
- able to work independently and as part of a team in a multidisciplinary unit;
- reliable, dependable and proven sense of initiative;
- willing to travel to other European countries;
- experience of working in a transnational context is an asset.

Conditions of employment

The appointment will be for a full-time 1 year-period (renewable) position. The ETUI offers a challenging and dynamic working environment, combining excellent professional and academic standards with close contacts to European policy makers. For further information visit: http://www.etui.org. The ETUI offers good working conditions with a competitive salary and an attractive package of fringe benefits in line with qualifications and experience.

For any further questions regarding the vacancy please contact Director of the Research Department Maria Jepsen: skasiers@etui.org.

Applications and supporting documents (CV, list of publications, etc.) should be sent before 15 December 2017:

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