## Call for Applications: Aarhus Institute of Advanced Studies – Fellowships

#### Aarhus Institute of Advanced Studies (AIAS) and the AIAS fellowship programme 2013:

The fellowship programme is initiated by Aarhus University (AU) and provides research opportunities for the most talented researchers from around the world, while also offering fellowships to researchers based at Aarhus University. AIAS is a new institute made possible by a generous contribution from the Aarhus University Research Foundation, and the AIAS fellowship programme is part of AIAS at Aarhus University. The target group of the junior programme is talented researchers with at least two years of experience after completion of PhD, whereas the senior fellowships aim at talented researchers with 10+ years of postdoctoral research experience.

The mission of AIAS is to support excellence in research by attracting the most talented researchers worldwide, and across all research disciplines. Fellows can choose their research topic freely. AIAS Fellows are expected to be physically situated in AIAS' buildings on campus, to participate in AIAS programmes and events, and to organize activities such as workshops, public talks, or speakers' series in order to contribute to the intellectual life at the Institute and at Aarhus University.

AIAS offers fellowships of up to three years' duration and with the opportunity for fellows to fully devote time to research, completely unrestricted by teaching obligations or clinical obligations. The applicant should plan the duration of the fellowship according to his/her requirements. Fellows are free to decide how much to engage in teaching or clinical work, if at all, but their main concern should go towards the development of their chosen research area.

At AIAS, international researchers are both collaborating and knowledge sharing with local researchers of their own discipline, and at the same time integrated into a multi-disciplinary and international environment of excellence. This provides the individual fellow with a unique opportunity to focus fully on deepening his/her research, while also collaborating with researchers with different research perspectives.

#### AIAS offers the following fellowships:

Dale T. Mortensen Fellowships:

- Dale T. Mortensen Junior Fellowships (12 to 36 months).
- Dale T. Mortensen Senior Fellowships (6 to 18 months).

Jens Christian Skou Fellowships (internal fellows, i.e. employees of AU):

- Jens Christian Skou Junior Fellowships (12 to 36 months).
- Jens Christian Skou Senior Fellowships (6 to 18 months).

Junior fellowships: Researchers with postdoctoral research careers of 2-10 years.

Senior fellowships: Researchers at a high international level, equivalent to professors or highly qualified associate professors (with postdoctoral research careers of +10 years).

# Aarhus Institute of Advanced Studies offers up to 15 fellowships for talented researchers in this round of applications.

**Applications** must be submitted via the AU electronic submission system, using <u>www.efond.dk/aias</u> and should consist of:

- 1. <u>An academic project description</u> describing the specific research area that you wish to carry out at the Institute (including justification of fellowship duration/and or project timeline) max. 12,500 characters incl. blanks, excl. list of references.
- 2. <u>CV</u>. See specifications in Guide for Applicants.
- 3. <u>An account of why you would like to carry out your research work within the AIAS framework</u>, including an account of your visions and ideas concerning how you expect to actively add to the creation of the social and academic environment of AIAS. For Dale T. Mortensen Fellows only: Please state, if connections to AU research environments have already been established and describe plans for cooperation, if any. Enclose letters of recommendation, if any max. 5,000 characters incl. blanks.
- 4. <u>Budget</u>: Only if the stay/project will require additional, extraordinary expenses besides your salary.
- 5. <u>Suggestions by the applicant of 5 peer reviewers</u> to review the application (including relevant contact information for each reviewer).

For more detailed requirements, please refer to the Guide for Applicants, which can be found at <u>www.aias.au.dk</u>.

#### Timeline:

- Deadline for applications: Friday, 7 June 2013 at 12.00 (noon) CEST.
- Expected evaluation period: June-September 2013.
- Applicants will receive answers: September/October 2013.
- Fellowships will commence late 2013/early 2014

For more information about the process, guidelines or application system, please contact Administrator Tove Østergaard Le at <u>TOE@adm.au.dk</u> or by phone: +45 21624921.

### Apply

All applications must be made online and received by:

#### 06/07/2013

#### Apply online here <u>www.efond.dk/aias</u>

• Regarding the recruitment process refer to the <u>Danish Ministerial Order on appointment of</u> researchers personnel at universities.

• Appointment is subject to agreement between the Ministry of Finance and <u>The Danish</u> <u>Confederation of Professional Associations.</u>

• For qualification requirements and job descriptions refer to the job structure memo.

All interested are encouraged to apply regardless of personal background.

Aarhus University offers an inspiring education and research environment for 44,500 students and 12,000 employees, ensuring results of a high international standard. The budgeted turnover for 2013 is 6.3 billion. The university's strategy and development contract are available at <u>www.au.dk</u>.