



## **Three-Year Post-Doctoral Research Position**

in the Research Group "Politics and Inequality" led by Thomas Kurer

### **Job Profile**

The Department of Political Science at the University of Zurich ([www.ipz.uzh.ch](http://www.ipz.uzh.ch)) invites applications for a three-year post-doctoral research position in the research group "Politics and Inequality" led by Assistant Professor Thomas Kurer ([www.thomaskurer.net](http://www.thomaskurer.net)). The starting date is flexible between September 2025 and January 2026 (or upon agreement). The position is research-focused and comes with no teaching obligation.

The successful candidate will conduct research in at least one of the following areas, with flexibility to shape the focus based on their own expertise and interests:

- **Intergenerational mobility and political behaviour**
- **Political consequences of technological change and labor market transformation**

The position is embedded within a supportive research environment and offers considerable scope for academic independence, while also encouraging collaboration with the group leader and other members of the department.

### **Responsibilities**

- Take a leading role in further developing early-stage work in the above-mentioned research areas, including both conceptual and empirical work
- Drive the preparation and refinement of manuscripts toward successful publication
- Initiate and pursue new research ideas within the broader project field, both independently and in collaboration with the research group and/or other members of the department
- Provide support for research, organizational, and administrative tasks

### **Profile**

- PhD in political science or a related discipline (completed or close to completion)
- Strong interest in the political implications of structural transformation and labor market change in advanced capitalist democracies
- Ambition and ability to produce high-quality and high-impact research in the area of the research group, both independently and in a team.
- Proficiency in quantitative research methods. Previous experience with handling large data sets is an asset
- Very good command of English; working knowledge of German is an asset

### **What we offer**

- Three-year contract with flexible starting date
- Protected time for independent research in the area of the research group
- Salary according to UZH/cantonal guidelines, approx. CHF 82,000 per year.
- Opportunities for paid optional additional teaching.
- Funding for conferences, additional training, and research.
- Excellent working conditions in a leading research-oriented and international department that provides a constructive and collaborative research environment.

### **Place of work**

Zurich, Switzerland, UZH, Department of Political Science, Affolternstrasse 56, 8050 Zurich



## **Application**

Application file should include:

- a letter of interest
- CV
- one writing sample
- contact details of 2 people willing to serve as references

Please upload your application electronically as one pdf-file to the following online form:

<http://www.ipz.uzh.ch/de/ueber-uns/offene-stellen/2025-Postdoc-Kurer.html>

Deadline for applications is 18 May 2025. We plan to hold interviews in week 23 (starting June 2).

We are committed to a diverse and inclusive research environment and strongly encourage applications from individuals from underrepresented groups in academia.

## **Further information**

For questions about the position, please contact Thomas Kurer ([kurer@ipz.uzh.ch](mailto:kurer@ipz.uzh.ch))