

To: Heads of Institutions

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From: Sudo Ken'ichi  
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National Institutes for the Humanities (NIHU), Japan  
(An Inter-University Research Institute Corporation)

Re: Recruiting for new faculty position

The National Museum of Ethnology has an opening for a new member of our faculty. The position is described below. We respectfully ask that you circulate this information and encourage suitable candidates to apply.

1. This position is for one new faculty member at the rank of associate professor.
2. The appointment is for five years (Limited term contract without renewal. There is possibility of change to an unlimited term contract depending on an assessment of research achievements and museum activities at Minpaku.)  
If the selected candidate has ever been employed by NIHU on a limited term contract, his/her appointment at Minpaku may be less than five years.

Note: The term limit is prescribed by public service regulations governing employees of the National Institutes for the Humanities (NIHU) and the National Museum of Ethnology regulations regarding terms for research employment.

See our website: <http://www.minpaku.ac.jp/offer/>

3. Academic discipline is cultural anthropology, ethnology and related fields (e.g. area study, sociology, linguistics, history, folklore, comparative culture and material culture) with a focus on culture or society in West Asia, Middle East or North Africa. The candidate must have academic achievements on the dynamics of modern Islam based on field work. It is desirable that the candidate has some interest in material culture.
4. The selected candidate will be employed from April 1, 2016.
5. Requirements
  - (1) A Ph.D. or equivalent academic or other experience.
  - (2) The ability to communicate in English and Japanese.

#### 6. Process

Interviews will be conducted following selection of candidates based on documentation. Invitations to interviews are tentatively scheduled on September, 2015. Travel and accommodation expenses will not be provided.

#### 7. Required Documentation

- (1) An application for employment at the National Museum of Ethnology ([see A4 form 1 attached](#))
- (2) Resume (with photograph attached)([see A4 form 2 attached](#))
- (3) Full list of academic achievements ([see A4 form 3 attached](#))
- (4) Copies of up to five principal works or theses (including PhD thesis). Works in a language other than Japanese must be accompanied by abstracts in Japanese.

- (5) Summary of main academic achievements (A4, single-spaced, two pages or less)
- (6) Plans or intentions for future research and other activities that reflect an understanding of international trends. Academic activities inside and outside Japan should be included in the research plan. (A4, single-spaced, two pages or less).
- (7) One letter of recommendation, free format, (A4).

8. Deadline: The application must arrive at our address by Friday, July 17, 2015.

9. Address: Applications should be sent by registered mail to the Recruiting Committee, National Museum of Ethnology, 10-1 Senri Banpaku Koen, Suita City, Osaka 565-8511, Japan in an envelope clearly marked in red as "Application Documents [Information Science for Cultural Resources]". Application documents will not be returned to applicants, unless requested. (If you request, please submit a request letter and an envelope with your name, address, and postal stamps, or submit an envelope with a freight collect label, at candidate's expense, with your name and address, if using a courier delivery service.)

Note on personal data:

Personal information provided in response to this public recruiting notice will be seen only by those involved in the selection process. Once a decision is made, all personal information pertaining to individuals other than the successful candidate will be destroyed. Information about the successful candidate will be retained for use in administration, work assignment, salary processing and other processes related to research and educational activities at the museum.

10. Queries

Queries should be faxed to the Recruiting Committee, National Museum of Ethnology.

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