Job vacancy in the Department of Philosophy II at Ruhr-Universität Bochum, Germany

Research Unit: Prof. Dr. Albert Newen

Postdoc Position

We are offering a full-time postdoctoral position, beginning on 1st of April 2020 (or at latest two months later), with a duration of two years (extendable for one further year).

The position is installed to foster the research of young postdocs who have already proven to be excellent in publications. It offers the opportunity to develop one’s own research project and research profile in the area of philosophy of mind or cognition. Beside the scientific aspects of this position, there is also the assignment to teach two courses each semester. Moreover, the candidate will be asked to engage in some administrative tasks and to support the organization of the Center for Mind and Cognition.

The candidate’s research should be connected with some of the current research projects. This includes a strong emphasis on interdisciplinary research in the area of philosophy of mind. Part of the job will be also to support the organization of the Center for Mind and Cognition.

The current research projects are focused on the Philosophy of Mind with the following key aspects:

- Understanding Other Minds/Understanding actions and reasons
- Self-Consciousness and Memory
- Situated Cognition
- Philosophy of Perception: Cognition-Perception Divide
- Animal Cognition
- Concepts from the perspective philosophy of language and phil. of mind
- Philosophy of Neurosciences

Candidates who have evidently engaged in some in-depth research in both philosophy of mind with very good knowledge in neurosciences will be of particular interest for this job. It will be possible, of course, to establish one’s own particular area of research.

Requirements: Candidates should have an outstanding PhD in philosophy and, in the ideal case, an additional degree in psychology, cognitive science, linguistics, psychiatry or neurosciences. Some substantial expertise in at least one of these areas will be expected. Furthermore, the candidate must have at least two papers published or accepted by peer-reviewed journals according to the European Science Foundation (ESF-lists).

Application Documents (we only accept electronic applications): Please send your application to sekretariat-newen@rub.de

Your application should consist of three PDF files. The first one is to include your personal documents: an outline of your own planned research project of 1 page, CV, copies of certificates and records, list of your publications, talks, conferences you attended and courses you held; names of 2 referees. The other PDF files to be attached should be your best two publications (must have been published or accepted, if accepted but not published then add the letter of acceptance of the journal).

For further information, please contact: Prof. Dr. A. Newen (albert.newen@rub.de)

Ruhr-Universität Bochum (RUB) is one of Germany’s leading research universities. The University draws its strength from both the diversity and the proximity of humanities, natural sciences and engineering disciplines on a single, coherent campus. This highly dynamic setting enables students and researchers to work across traditional boundaries of academic subjects and faculties.

Ruhr-Universität Bochum is committed to promoting the careers of women and therefore strongly welcomes applications from female candidates. As an equal opportunities employer, we also encourage applications from suitably qualified disabled candidates and other groups.