About us

Founded in Brussels in 1983, CEPS (Centre for European Policy Studies) is a leading think tank and forum for debate on EU affairs, which has been consistently ranked among the top 10 of the world’s best think tanks. CEPS’ distinguishing features include its strong in-house research capacity and an extensive international network of partner institutes. CEPS’ funding comes from a variety of sources, mainly research grants, public procurement, but also membership and conference fees.

CEPS Energy Climate House (CEPS-ECH) is the policy arm of the Energy and Climate Unit of CEPS. It provides a forum that stimulates discussions among both EU and non-EU stakeholders and decision-makers, where the participants feel free to discuss, analyse and communicate solutions to today’s energy, climate change circular economy and geopolitical challenges.

RESEARCHER—“Energy”

Main tasks

- Develop the energy and commodities activity further under the Guidance of the Director of ECH
- Conduct research activities in the field of energy markets and closely related activities
- Monitor regulatory framework for energy in the EU and selected EU member states
- Prepare proposals for new research projects in the field of energy
- Organise seminars, workshops and other meetings
- Give presentations on the above-mentioned issues at project meetings and external events

Your background and qualifications

- You have a Master’s degree or PhD related to the economics of energy or a closely related area such as commodities, climate change etc.
- You have minimum 3 years of experience in the field of energy markets or in a closely related area.
- You have documented data gathering and analysis skills.
- You have strong and documented project management skills.
- You are proficient in English, both orally and in writing. You have an excellent knowledge of at least one other language.
Your profile

- You aspire to grow your career in policy research.
- You have, or are willing to develop insights into ongoing legislative and policy debates in the field of energy.
- You are able to handle stress, respect deadlines and are able to juggle multiple tasks and changing priorities.
- You enjoy teamwork and are open to giving and receiving feedback.

What CEPS can offer

We offer full-time employment for 1 year. The contract is renewable. The salary will be in accordance with your previous experience as well as the CEPS salary scale. We also offer a benefits package (group & hospitalisation insurance, meal tickets, public transport reimbursement, 20 days legal holiday entitlement per year plus additional days when CEPS is closed during the Christmas-New Year period). We would like the preferred candidate to start her/his activities in May/June 2019.

Career development prospects

This position will give you the opportunity to progress on your career path and gain the valuable skills, training and experience that would potentially allow you to take on the role of Research Fellow or beyond. CEPS offers a Learning and Development Programme for all staff to develop the necessary skills for their position.

More information

Further questions/enquiries regarding the position can be e-mailed to applications@ceps.eu.

Application and deadline

Applications should include a one-page letter of motivation, indicating your salary expectations, and a curriculum vitae which lists your publications and specifies your role in previous research projects, both in English. For the CV, please use the Europass template (available at https://europass.cedefop.europa.eu/). Both documents should be e-mailed to applications@ceps.eu by 21 March 2019 with “Researcher – Energy” in the subject line. Shortlisted candidates may be asked to produce one or two letters of recommendation.