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THE IUSSP FAMILY PLANNING, FERTILITY AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT PROJECT CALL FOR PROPOSAL

This is to inform the University community that the IUSSP Family Planning, Fertility and Urban Development Project is seeking candidates from and presently based in sub-Saharan Africa and South Asia who are currently employed in those regions for research fellowships. This project aims to link the fields of family planning, fertility and population change with the field of urban development, to create a cadre of fellows with expertise in those areas, and to produce high-quality evidence relevant to policy issues in urban development.

ELIGIBILITY

Young career researchers (PhDs or MDs) who have been awarded their degrees within the last ten years (since 1/1/2009) and would like to contribute to literature and policy on the links between fertility/population growth and urban welfare and development, in Sub-Saharan Africa (and South Asia).

These fellowships represent exceptional opportunities for both young career researchers and also for their sub-Saharan African or South Asian home institutions.

The project will provide fellows with:

- The opportunity to develop their expertise, hone their methodological skills and extend their networks on a topic that will certainly attract a great deal of attention in upcoming years (more on this below),
- Partial salary support, allowing fellows to free up time to devote to their proposed research projects,
- Limited funding to directly support their research costs (including primary research and secondary data analysis),

- The possibility to work closely with a senior researcher or mentor on their project, typically based at another institution in the region or elsewhere,
- Funds to allow fellows to present their work at major regional and international meetings, and to become members of relevant scientific associations,
- Training in policy communication and outreach strategies and support for outreach to policy makers throughout the study, to promote the use of the research results, and
- The opportunity to become part of a dynamic interdisciplinary network of researchers who are working in this area.

Process and Timing. Interested applicants should submit a short concept note on their proposed research project by 15 April, 2019. (The online portal is expected to open around 15 March, 2019.) These will be quickly reviewed, and those with promising innovative proposals will be invited to submit a full proposal by 1 July, 2019.

The top candidates will then be invited to a project meeting held in Kampala (Uganda) next November just before the Union of African Population Studies conference, and approved fellowships will start in early 2020. The research may last between 12 and 24 months and is generally expected to require a part-time commitment.

For details on this fellowship program, please see:

- **English:** <https://iussp.org/en/call-proposals-2nd-round-fellowships-family-planning-fertility-and-urban-development>
- **Français:** <https://iussp.org/fr/call-proposals-2nd-round-fellowships-family-planning-fertility-and-urban-development>

For more information, questions, or suggestions, please write to urbanfp@iussp.org.

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Thank you.

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