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Postdoctoral Position, Social and Cultural Anthropology, LMU Munich, Full time, TV-L E13, 3 years, starting 1 October 2024 (negotiable)

We call for applicants to a project funded by the Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft (Reinhart Koselleck-Project) on

Planetary healing as transformative process. A decolonial approach to the challenges of climate change

With a team led by Professor Eveline Dürr, this project draws on the findings of current research on human-environment relations in times of climate change. However, instead of focusing on resilience and adaptation of particularly affected groups, this project proposes an alternative approach of "planetary healing." It brings into focus Indigenous practices of healing that connect different scales, addressing individual as well as collective and environmental dimensions. Drawing on case studies from the Americas (with a preference for Latin America) and applying collaborative methods, this project has three goals: 1) to theorize and systematize planetary healing in the context of (de)colonization; 2) to explore the transformative potential of planetary healing to reconfigure human-environment relations; 3) to further develop ethnographic methods to capture the scaling of the planetary.

Your responsibilities:

- design and conduct a research project in the Americas (with an opportunity for a Habilitation)
- prepare and participate in publications
- support and organize academic and public outreach events

Your profile:

- candidates should have completed their doctorate in the field of Social and Cultural Anthropology or neighboring disciplines with outstanding results
- ethnographic fieldwork experience is a requirement
- excellent command of English and Spanish resp. Portuguese is required; good communication skills in German are an advantage
- experience with transdisciplinary and collaborative research is an advantage

Applicants with disabilities who possess essentially equal qualifications will be given preference. LMU Munich is an equal opportunity employer committed to excellence through diversity, and therefore explicitly encourages women to apply.

Contact: We are looking forward to receiving your application electronically by 15 June 2024 at planetary.healing@ethnologie.lmu.de

(A) As one pdf file:

- (1) Application letter (letter of motivation)
- (2) Pitch of a project proposal, 1-2 pages, ideally proposing two case studies
- (3) Curriculum vitae
- (4) List of publications and list of courses taught
- (5) Degree certificates
- (6) Names and contact details of two referees

(B) As a separate pdf file:

(6) PDF of your doctoral dissertation