Position at TINT in Helsinki

TINT Centre of Excellence in the Philosophy of the Social Sciences <http://www.helsinki.fi/tint>, now the largest centre in its field, is offering a new postdoc position, beginning in January 2014. More advanced scholars will also be considered. The position is initially for two years.

AREA: philosophy of economics (or neighbouring disciplines), broadly understood (inclusive of social and historical studies of economics in relation to its disciplinary neighbours).

RESEARCH AGENDA OF THE CENTRE: interdisciplinary and intertheoretic dynamics and their role in shaping the future of the social sciences, viewed mainly from a philosophy of science point of view. Check the TINT site for more details.

POSSIBLE LINES OF RESEARCH: philosophical / historical / sociological analysis of interdisciplinary dynamics in which economics is involved, such as its expansionist (“imperialist”) intrusions into the domains of sociology, political science, law, etc; its (actual or missing) receptive interactions with psychology, neuroscience, sociology etc; its (actual or missing) collaborative relations with other disciplines in applied fields such as environmental studies.

POSSIBLE PROFILES OF CANDIDATES: philosopher of economics specializing in any relevant aspect of economics in its interdisciplinary relations; philosopher of some other relevant discipline, such as cognitive science, biology, ecology, anthropology, or law insofar as these engage with economics; (philosophically informed) expert in the social and cultural studies of science specializing in relevant aspects of interdisciplinarity in which economics is involved; (philosophically informed) historian of economics specializing in the history of any relevant line of development in economics and its interdisciplinary relations.

We are looking for individuals with relevant top rate competences and a strong interest in TINT themes, and who would enjoy thriving team life as a member of a collaborative and growing international community of scholars. If you think you have the interest and competence – or think you know someone with these qualities – please get in contact with Uskali Mäki <uskali.maki@helsinki.fi>.

Applications should include:
1. CV
2. Research plan of ca 2000 words, including description of how it relates to the TINT agenda
3. Sample of writing (eg published journal article)

The deadline is 31 October 2013, but earlier submissions will be appreciated.

Please also pay attention to TINT’s visitors programme.