In memory of “Riccardo Faini”, Ceis-Economia-Tor Vergata Foundation of the University of Rome "Tor Vergata" has a

VACANCY FOR A RESEARCH FELLOW IN

“ANALYSIS OF ITALY’S COMPETITIVENESS AND EXPORT PERFORMANCE AFTER THE GLOBAL CRISIS,

The purpose of the fellowship is the development of researches on Economics and Political Economy fields, within the activity of the “Osservatorio R. Faini”, founded with the Department of the Treasury of the Italian Ministry of Economy and Finance.

The fellowship involves full time job during a whole calendar year.

Partecipation requirements

1) Degree in Economics, Econometrics, Statistics or equivalent;
2) Phd or Doctoral Degree in Macroeconomics or Econometrics;
3) Good English communication skills (written and speaking) and at least basic knowledge of Italian;
4) Good Knowledge of Programming Languages such as Matlab and Troll.

The successful candidate should have, preferable:
5) Previous work experience in Policy - related Institutions;
6) Good knowledge of Industrial Economics.

Grant

The gross amount of the grant is 25,000 Euros/year for a full-time job (all inclusive).

Research topics

The research activity will be focused on the development of an analysis based on micro-data aimed at identifying the impact of the financial crisis started in late 2007 on both Italy’s industrial firms and export trends.

The analysis is expected to provide evidence at sub-sector level (and or according to structural factors such as firm’s size – large versus SMEs, geographic area – regions and/or macro - regions, R&D, indebtedness, degree of openness, etc.).

Particular relevance is to be assigned to detecting the impact of the crisis on export performance along the similar dimensions identified above.

The analysis could be integrated by looking at the survival of firms after the crisis by sub-sector and/or other structural factors.
Specific Tasks:

The successful candidate will be, in particular, expected to:

- conduct research on industry, export specialization models, competitiveness and related issues;
- participate in the analysis of micro– and macroeconomic data;
- report the research activity in progress reports or working papers;
- participate in all main activities of the “Osservatorio Riccardo Faini”.

Place of work

The research activity will be carried out in Rome, in two places:

- School of Economics, “Tor Vergata” University;
- Department of the Treasury of the Italian Ministry of Economy and Finance.

How to apply

- The Fellowship is a one year post starting in 1st March 2010.
- Closing date for presentation of the application: candidates’ applications, completed with the accompanying documentation must be delivered no later than 15 February, 12:00 AM. When this time limit is reached, applications will not be taken into consideration.
- Application must be accompanied by the following documents (in PDF format). Failure to do so may result in exclusion from the competition:
  a) a detailed Curriculum Vitae with European Community standards, with the indication of the official candidate’s e-mail address and phone number;
  b) one copy of the PHD or Doctoral certificate;
  c) an abstract of the PHD dissertation in maximum one page;
  d) a synthesis of last research activities developed by the candidate, related to the research topic proposed;
  e) one copy of a currently valid identification document;
  f) a covering letter and, if available, one or more presentation letters.

All the documents, in a compressed folder, have to be sent by e–mail at the address segreteria.fondazione@economia.uniroma2.it

The e–mail return receipt will be the confirmation of the successful application.

Scientific Committee

The Scientific Committee will be responsible for the selection procedure and will identify the winner of the fellowship. The Scientific Committee is composed of at least 3 members belonging both to the Ceis-Economia-Tor Vergata Foundation of the University of Rome "Tor Vergata" and to the Department of the Treasury of the Italian Ministry of Economy and Finance.

The selection procedure will be firstly based on the evaluation of titles; eventually an interview will be done, even in “call conference”.