Within the Max Planck Fellow Group “Governance of Cultural Diversity – Socio-Legal Dynamics” at the Max-Planck Institute for the Study of Religious and Ethnic Diversity (www.mmg.mpg.de) in Göttingen, the following position is to be filled starting on 1st November 2018 or at earliest possible date:

**a doctoral researcher (socio-legal studies)**

with a disciplinary background in sociology, political science and/or legal history and with expertise in the post-Soviet region. The position is remunerated in equivalence to German civil service standards (level TVöD E13, half-time, 1,913,52 EUR) and is to be filled for a period of two years, giving the opportunity to pursue a dissertation project. The candidate will contribute to the research project “Post-imperial diversities – majority-minority relations in the transition from empires to nation-states” (ImpDiv) funded by the BMBF in the framework of ERA.Net RUS and carried out in collaboration with the University of Eastern Finland and the Higher School of Economics in Saint Petersburg.

Requirements are an excellent Master’s degree in sociology or a related discipline, experience in empirical research methods, and advanced Russian language skills. The project’s language of communication is English.

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Please send your applications electronically (pdf), including a cover letter, curriculum vitae, research statement (2 pages), writing sample (20 pages), and the addresses of two professors willing to write reference letters upon request. Please submit your application by **26 October 2018**, to Bewerbung_Koenig@mmg.mpg.de

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