The Max-Planck Institute for the Study of Religious and Ethnic Diversity in Göttingen is offering:

**Doctoral and Postdoctoral Research and Writing Fellowships**

The Department of Ethics, Law and Politics, under the direction of Prof. Dr. Ayelet Shachar, is inviting outstanding applications to apply for residential doctoral and postdoctoral research fellows at the Max Planck Institute for the Study of Religious and Ethnic Diversity. Applicants should have substantive legal, empirical, or normative expertise in one or more of the following fields: citizenship, migration, the regulation of global mobility regimes, comparative constitutional law, or the study of cultural or religious diversity. The focus is on cutting-edge legal and theoretical puzzles. An excellent track record and promising research agenda are required. We welcome candidates with advanced degrees in political science, law, philosophy, geography, sociology, global affairs and international relations. The duration of the in-residence fellowship position will be up to 12 months. Awards are made on the basis of scholarly excellence, research promise, and fit with department’s overall research agenda. The program does not support, as a primary activity, off-site fieldwork or work in remote archives.

The Max Planck Institute offers an excellent research environment for doctoral and postdoctoral research fellows. The Institute operates in English and is located in the scenic university town of Göttingen. Fellows-in-residence are expected to devote the majority of their time to their individual research projects and publish their work in leading academic venues. In addition, they will take leadership in organizing international conferences, workshops and other academic events, contribute actively to the department’s research program, and participate fully in the intellectual life of the Institute. The selected doctoral and postdoctoral fellows will also have an opportunity to collaborate closely with the Max Planck Fellow Group in Comparative Constitutionalism and to participate in the department’s annual conference with Normative Orders/Frankfurt University.

The proposed doctoral or postdoctoral research projects must relate to one or more of the core themes of the department’s research program:

- The transformation of citizenship
- Legal construction of borders and membership boundaries
- Highly skilled migration and citizenship by investment
- State and religion in comparative and transnational perspectives
- Gender equality and cultural diversity
- Civic equality in the age of populism
- Migration and technology

The fellowships are open to all regardless of citizenship. The deadline for receipt of application is **22 April 2019**. The envisaged starting date is 1 September 2019 or 1 October 2019.

Applications for the **postdoctoral** research fellowship must be submitted in English and include a cover letter describing the intersection of your work with the department’s research themes (up to 500 words), a list of publications and CV, a sample of writing in English (written or published within the past two years), a writing plan/research proposal for the project you wish to undertake during the period of the postdoctoral fellowship (up to 1000 words), and two letters of recommendation written by scholars who are familiar with your work. Applicants should also send a record of university diplomas and transcripts. Compensation is based on the German public service scale TVöD, level E 13, which is equivalent to approximately EUR 47,000 per year.
Application for the **doctoral** research fellowship must be submitted in English and include a cover letter describing the intersection of your work with the department’s research themes (up to 500 words), a list of publications and CV, a sample of writing in English (written or published within the past two years), a summary of your PhD project (up to 1000 words), and two letters of recommendation (one of these reference letters must be from your PhD supervisor, indicating his/her support for your research stay at the Institute). Applicants should also send a record of university diplomas and transcripts. Compensation is based on 50% of the German public service scale TVöD, level E 13, which is equivalent to approximately EUR 23,500 per year.

The Max Planck Society wishes to increase the participation of women wherever they are underrepresented; therefore, applications from women are particularly welcome. Following its commitment to an equal opportunities employment policy, the Max Planck Society also especially encourages persons with a disability to submit their applications.

Please apply electronically through the following portal:  
https://s-lotus.gwdg.de/mpg/mpgs/mmg_elp_postdoc_2019.nsf/application

Letters of recommendation should be submitted by your referees directly to: adomeit@mmg.mpg.de