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At the Academy of Mission at the University of Hamburg
a vacancy is offered for the position of a

Head of Studies

The vacancy is to be filled as soon as possible after July 1st, 2011.

Within a team of colleagues the successful applicant will:

- conduct seminars and conferences church personnel in a program of development issues, mission, ecumenical and religious studies, interreligious dialogue;
- develop working relationships with other institutions offering such programmes,
- provide tutorial guidance to doctoral candidates in theology from Africa, Asia and Latin America;
- contribute to academic studies conducted by the Academy of Mission.

The successful applicant should have:

- completed his or her theological studies, preferably hold a doctorate in theology or in an area related to the work of the Academy of Mission (ethnology, development studies etc);
- experience in forms of church oriented and/or pastoral work and guidance of study groups;
- advanced proficiency in German and preferably in English;
- experience with work in an ecumenical team,
- submitted a declaration of intent on the part of the home church or institution to provide employment for the applicant upon his or her return.

The team of heads of studies will assist the overseas colleague:

- in designing new programs in the area of a theology sensitive to issues of development;
- in developing study materials,
- in cultivating and developing further contacts with mission and church facilities within the Evangelical Church in Germany (EKD) and other Protestant churches as well as with partner institutions overseas;
- in making the Academy of Mission a new home including his or her family.

The position is financed for a period of three years by the Church Development Service (Evangelischer Entwicklungsdienst, EED) and the salary will be paid in accordance with German Church tariffs.

We are looking for a colleague who is able to develop programs on his or her own initiative, who can translate his or her particular spiritual experience in various international and ecumenical contexts, and who is committed to an understanding of Gospel which takes serious developmental and political issues. The new colleague should be well rooted in any protestant church connected to the ecumenical movement. At the discretion of the Academy an intensive language refresher course of up to three months may also be provided.

Please submit applications until June 30th. 2011, with curriculum vitae, photograph, qualifying certificates, and two references by (?) to the Chairman of the Board of the Academy of Mission at the University of Hamburg:¹

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¹ We will accept documents sent via email to meet the deadline but expect documents to be sent by surface mail.