The Department of Geography at the University of Bern is announcing a

**Post-doc position in Geography and Sustainable Development (75 %, up to 4 years)**

Our research team is concerned with understanding processes of globalization and sustainable development, particularly topics of work, (higher) education, different forms of (im)mobilities, governance and access to societal resources. Furthermore, we are in the process of establishing a MediaLab in order to work on methods and concepts for studying potentials of filmmaking and multimedia for our research and teaching.

We are looking for candidates who are interested in critical theoretical as well empirical engagement with social dimensions of sustainability related to questions of e.g. human rights, social justice, social innovations, co-production of knowledges, social learning, and social movements in a context of societal transformation.

**Tasks and responsibilities:**
- Realizing your own research ideally connecting contexts of the global North and South
- Strong interest in publication activities and further academic qualification (e.g. Habilitation)
- Lead and participate in grant applications
- Contribution to research-driven teaching and supervision of students at BSc/MSc level
- Contribution to the establishment and operation of the MediaLab
- Contribution to academic self-management at the Institute of Geography

**Requirements:**
- A completed PhD in social science (e.g. geography, sustainable development, migration/urban/cultural studies, social/media anthropology, sociology)
- Evidence of publication capacity and clear research and publication plan
- Experience in diverse research methodologies, especially in use of film and/or other audio-visual methods and ability to contribute to teaching and operation of the media lab
- Teaching experience
- Research experience in post-socialist countries would be an asset but is not a must.

**Appointment and employment conditions:**
- 75 %, two years appointment with the possibility of extension up to four years
- A gross salary according to salary regulations of the Canton Bern
- Excellent language skills in German and English; French would be an asset
- Starting date: February 1st 2018 or upon agreement

Applications should include a letter of motivation, a CV, list of publications and previous teaching activities, a 1-2 pages research idea and plan for the next four years, one writing sample (article, chapter), contact information for two references. Applications as one pdf should be send to Gabriela Burkhart, gabriela.burkhart@giub.unibe.ch by December 3rd 2017. Questions about the position should be addressed to Prof. Dr. Susan Thieme, susan.thieme@giub.unibe.ch.