The National Center of Competence in Research nccr – on the move aims to enhance the understanding of contemporary migration patterns. Transcending disciplines, the NCCR brings together research projects from the social sciences, economics and law. Managed from the University of Neuchatel, the network comprises eleven Higher Education Institutions in Switzerland.

At the University of Lucerne we have an open position for a

**PhD Candidate**

*Short description of vacancy:* The start date will be 1 September 2018 (or as agreed upon). The funding of the doctorate is limited to a period of four years. The successful applicant is expected to contribute to a research project on “The Migration of Migration Policies: Pathways and Consequences of the Diffusion of Migration Policies” and complete a doctoral dissertation under the supervision of Prof. Joachim Blatter. Applying case studies, the doctoral student will trace how asylum policies move from one country to other countries.

*Requirements:* You have completed a Master degree in one of the social sciences (preferably Political Science). You are motivated to pursue an academic career. You have knowledge of migration policy analysis and/or are highly interested to work in this field of research. Training in qualitative methods (preferably methods of within-case analysis) is an advantage. Excellent written and oral command of English and knowledge of German is required. In consideration of our probable case selection, language skills in Swedish and Danish are of high value.

Interest in interdisciplinary collaborations with other nccr – on the move collaborators in the framework of different NCCR events. Participation in an interdisciplinary doctoral program coordinated by the University of Neuchatel is expected. Regular attendance of events at the University of Neuchatel, or elsewhere in Switzerland, is required.

*Benefits:* The salary and working conditions (activity percentage etc.) are in accordance with the regulations of the Swiss National Science Foundation. The nccr – on the move offers attractive working conditions, including support measures for researchers with childcare duties.

*Employer:* The position is based at the University of Lucerne. The University of Lucerne is an Equal Opportunities Employer. Qualified women and candidates with a migration history are encouraged to apply.

*Submitting application:* Please send your application including a letter of interest, CV, transcripts, a writing sample (e.g. Master thesis), and the contact details of two referees to jobs@unilu.ch, quoting the application number 2350/001. Application deadline is 31 May 2018. For additional information about the position, please contact Prof. Joachim Blatter: joachim.blatter@unilu.ch.