

Cosmos Malabaricus Project

KCHR and University of Leiden

The Academic Steering Committee of the Cosmos Malabaricus project wishes to appoint two qualified people to administer the project. The appointment will be for a period of 7 years, from 2022 to 2029. Of the two posts, the Programme Director's (PD) is a senior position, and the Research Associate (RA) is a junior one. The scholars appointed to these posts will have the responsibility of selecting students to be sent for a Masters in Colonial and Global History, and learning medieval Dutch, at the University of Leiden; overseeing the visit of Dutch research scholars from Leiden to Kerala, and supervising them, if needed; overseeing the translation and publication of select Dutch records; and holding summer schools for researchers and students. Both the Programme Director and the Research Associate will be based at Pattanam, Kerala. The PD must be trained as a historian with the necessary skills in using archives, and will have the principal responsibility for managing the Cosmos Malabaricus project. The RA will provide the PD the necessary support in this process.

The PD's appointment will be at the Associate Professor/Professor level. The Selection Committee reserves the right to appoint someone at a lower level, should suitable candidates not be found at the levels advertised. Appointed candidates must give a commitment that they will work for at least three years (or more) as Programme Director/Research Associate.

The selected candidates are expected to start by early December 2022.

The last date for applications is October 7, 2022. Please apply using the following email ID, kchrrecruitments@gmail.com. Applications sent to any other id will not be considered.

1. Programme Director

(Equivalent of Associate Professor to Professor levels at the university or a research institution)

Scholars with experience of sufficient numbers of years at the Assistant Professor level or above are eligible to apply

Eligibility Criteria:

Essential:

- a) Ph.D. in History/Social Science/Humanities with teaching experience in a University/College as Associate Professor/Professor, or research experience at an equivalent level at a recognised research institution, with evidence of having successfully guided doctoral/Masters candidates, or made significant contributions to knowledge in the relevant discipline. All applications should be substantiated with documentary evidence, including a curriculum vitae, and certificates of language proficiency.

Desirable:

- a) Knowledge of Dutch language
- b) Administrative experience, including heading departments, membership of committees, editorial committees of journals, or any other relevant experience that can help in managing the programme

2. Research Associate

Eligibility Criteria

- Essential:**
- a) Masters in History/Social Science/Humanities/Management
 - b) Proven managerial skills at a research/academic institution/ or company
Documentary evidence must be provided

- Desirable:**
- a) Three years or more as Finance/Administrative Officer