The Swiss Tropical and Public Health Institute (Swiss TPH) is a world-leading institute in global health with a particular focus on low- and middle-income countries. Associated with the University of Basel, Swiss TPH combines research, education and services at local, national and international levels. 900 people from 80 nations work at Swiss TPH focusing on infectious and non-communicable diseases, environment, society and health as well as health systems and interventions.

Within the Department of Epidemiology and Public Health (EPH) the Household Economics and Health Systems Research Unit develops and applies economic, epidemiological, statistical and mathematical methods to advance innovation, validation, and application in the field of public health. One of the main objectives of the unit is to set up cohort studies in low income settings that will allow long-term tracking of population health and long-term assessments of intervention impact. To support our current efforts to set up a new multigenerational VITERBI birth cohort in Vientiane, Lao People’s Democratic Republic (Lao PDR), we are looking for a:

**Study Coordinator (80%-100%)**

The study coordinator will be working full time at the Lao Tropical and Public Health Institute (Lao TPHI) office in Vientiane, Lao PDR. The study coordinator will coordinate all efforts related to the new multigenerational VITERBI birth cohort, including IRB approvals, developing and adapting study forms, identify study participants, scheduling of interviews, training and monitoring of interviewers, assuring data quality and supervision of all related protocols. The candidate will work closely with the larger research team including researchers both at the Swiss TPH and the Lao TPHI.

**Experience and skill requirements**

This is an ideal position for a person with a master’s degree who wishes to gain some hands-on experience doing quantitative field research in a low resource setting. To best fit our unit we expect the following qualifications:

- Master’s in epidemiology, public health, economics or other quantitative science discipline
- Previous working experience in low income settings
- Demonstrated interest in research
- Knowledge of STATA, R or other stats package
- Good communication skills, strong spirit of team work and initiative, and ability to work with professionals in a multi-cultural context
- Ability to work independently and as part of a team on research programmes
- Excellent command of English (speaking and writing) and willingness to learn Lao
- Previous experience with survey data collection is a plus

**Start of employment:** January 1, 2023 (with some flexibility).

Appointments will be made for an initial period of one year, but can be renewed if there is mutual interest.
To be considered, applications must be received by November 15th 2012. We look forward to receiving your online application with

- CV
- Motivation letter
- Academic transcripts including grades
- Names and contact information (email or phone) of 3 references.

Please note that we can only accept applications via our online recruiting tool: https://jobs.swisstph.ch/Jobs/All. Applications via e-mail or external recruiter will not be considered.

**What we offer:**
Swiss TPH an equal opportunity employer committed to excellence through diversity. We offer a friendly and professional work environment and fair compensation. The study coordinator will work closely with junior and senior researchers in Laos and Switzerland, and will get a chance to develop own research projects and ideas while working on the study.

**Contact**
For further information about the position, please visit our website https://www.swisstph.ch/en/ or contact Prof. Dr. Peter Odermatt at peter.odermatt@swisstph.ch or Prof. Dr. Günther Fink at guenther.fink@swisstph.ch.

**Job Profile:**
Start Date: 1 January 2023
Location: Vientiane, Lao PDR
Duration: one year contract with potential extension
Percentage: 80-100%
Travel Required? Yes