

## **Position on Recognition and Acknowledgement of Shared Economic Disadvantage**

The project investigates narratives of shared economic disadvantage and of an inclusive socio-economic group to promote inclusive solidarity; narratives on how history has shaped inequalities; narratives on contributions that immigrants and minorities make to society as well as the contributions that disadvantaged groups in general make to society. And it will test the narrative on a superordinate identity of indispensables, where practical-skilled and low-paid work, the part of the labour market that strongly relies on immigrant workers, is valued instead of described as 'low'. It will then determine to what extent these narratives can contribute to improving intergroup relations. This approach helps to identify the conditions under which contending ethnic groups are ready to recognize and acknowledge shared economic injustice and jointly strive for economic equality.

This PhD project relies on quantitative methods of social science research, analyzing both large scale survey data and implementing vignette-designs in surveys. You will be supervised by Özge Bilgili (Interdisciplinary Social Science), Liesette Blommaert (Sociology, Radboud University) and Prof. dr. Marcel Lubbers (Interdisciplinary Social Science).

You will become member of the national research school ICS (Interuniversity Centre for Social science theory and methodology), in which you form a cohort with other PhDs who start. You will work in a co-operative and dedicated team that combines a focus on work with attention for the people doing the work. As a team, we will guide you in your research and teaching tasks and we will adapt or guidance to what works for you. We will also guide you in your professional development and in exploring and pursuing options for future your work, be it in academia or elsewhere.