The International Institute of Social Studies of Erasmus University Rotterdam invites applications for a post-doc position in international law and development, with a particular focus on the Right to Development.

The organization
The International Institute of Social Studies is among Europe’s leading institutes in the field of development studies. Located in The Hague, the Netherlands – International City of Peace and Justice and/or the Legal capital of the World – the ISS has a long tradition of teaching, research and advisory work in the realms of international law and development, and of human rights. This work has focused respectively on the role of international law as both a potential instrument of change and/or a constraint for realizing equitable development, and on multidisciplinary analysis of global, national and local human rights issues all over the world. In the run-up to the 30th anniversary of the UN Declaration on the Right to Development (1986), the ISS wishes to step up its work in this particular realm.

Description of the position
The post-doc will have the opportunity to pursue her/his research agenda within the above-indicated areas. The candidate will work closely with ISS Professor Karin Arts (international law and development) and with the current holder of the Prince Claus Chair 2013-2015, Professor Jumoke Oduwole (http://www.princeclauschair.nl). The latter plans in particular to explore Right to Development issues in West Africa, within the relations between West Africa, the European Union and the World Trade Organization. The candidate will be expected to contribute to the preparation of one or more research grant proposals in the realm of the Right to Development and more broadly to support the research activities developed by Professors Oduwole and Arts. Some teaching activities might be possible as well. The work will be developed in cooperation with the Hague Institute for Global Justice, which funds this post-doc position in partnership with WOTRO Science for Global Development.

Requirements
Successful candidates are expected to hold a recently acquired PhD in international law with demonstrated expertise in issues relating to development, international cooperation or other aspects relevant to the position. Professional and/or field experience, especially on/in West-Africa or concerning EU and/or WTO trade and development policies, is a plus. In addition, the candidate should have demonstrated potential for interdisciplinary work, an emerging track record of high-level international publications and a very good command of English.

Appointment and Salary
The position is available as of 1 April or 1 May 2014 and is funded for two years. The salary is dependent on the candidate’s experience and ranges from € 3037 to € 4462 gross per month (CAO NU scale 10 or 11) under full-time contract.

Applications and more information
Applications, accompanied by a curriculum vitae, a list of publications, two sample papers and the names of three referees should be combined into one pdf file and sent to Ms. Charlotte Evers (evers@brf.eur.nl) before 7 March 2014. Interviews will take place soon thereafter. Further information on the substance of the position can be obtained from Professor Karin Arts (arts@iss.nl; +31.70.4260614).