Senior Research Scientist

The Global Forum for Urban and Regional Resilience (Global Forum) at Virginia Tech seeks to hire a senior research scientist who can contribute to the growth and development of its resilience research. Specifically, we wish to hire a research scientist whose research interests are in critical infrastructure issues. This is a non-tenure track position. Candidates must be capable of working closely with others in the Forum to conduct research on the financial and socio-political dimensions of critical infrastructure. Applicants for the position must have an earned PhD, must have a demonstrated record in research and scholarship, and must be able to work collaboratively with others in the Global Forum and across campus on research programs. The candidate for this position must have demonstrated experience with serving as a principal investigator on extramurally funded research.

The Global Forum is a university organization that facilitates research and outreach on three resilience themes: socio-political, fiscal, and urban resilience. This new position is intended to advance a fourth area of research on infrastructure but in the context of the existing three themed areas. The Global Forum is not a degree-granting, nor teaching unit, but we do encourage our scientists to teach when it is desirable for their career and meets the goals of the Forum. For information about the Forum please go to www.globalforum.vt.edu

Responsibilities would include:
- Development of a portfolio of externally funded research
- Establish a scholarly record commensurate with the rank of senior research associate
- Mentor PhD and MA students in their degree programs
- Some administrative duties in the Global Forum as determined prior to hiring

Qualifications:
Required:
- Earned PhD in one of the following fields: geography, economics, public policy or an relevant interdisciplinary degree program
- Scholarship and a funded research record as the principal investigator on critical infrastructure
- Ability to work effectively on team projects
- Preferred
- Research focused on regional or urban scale of analysis
- Capabilities in visualization technologies and methods
- Research interests in critical infrastructure issues

Salary will be commensurate with experience
Review of candidates will begin on May 1, 2017 Applications must be submitted at http://listings.jobs.vt.edu/postings/74563