

# Assistant Professor in Urban Development Management

**Faculty** Architecture and the Built Environment (A+BE)

**Department** Management in the Built Environment (MBE)

**Level** PhD degree

**Working hours** 38 hours per week (1.0 FTE)

**Contract** Tenure track (six years, with the prospect of a tenured position)

**Salary** €3427 to €4691 per month gross

## Architecture and the Built Environment

The Faculty of Architecture and the Built Environment is looking for an Assistant Professor in the interdisciplinary field of Urban Development Management. TU Delft's Faculty of Architecture and the Built Environment (A+BE) strives to make significant contributions to solving some of the world's most pressing societal problems. It does so by conducting original design, engineering and management research in and for the built environment, and by providing Bachelor, Master and PhD programs to students from all parts of the world. The faculty's excellent facilities highlight its internationally renowned position in architecture and building sciences, offering a multidisciplinary setting for its 500 employees and 2,600 students. The faculty generates ideas, solutions, and knowledge for and with all relevant industries in pursuit of a sustainable, resilient and enabling built environment. Within this vibrant faculty, the Department of Management in the Built Environment (MBE) helps to meet the growing demand for architects, urban planners and building engineers with knowledge and skills related to managing processes of design, planning, and (re)development in and of the built environment.

## Urban Development Management (UDM)

Since the turn of the millennium, practices in North-Western Europe are striving for integrated, area-based approach to urban questions that cut across the public, private and civic spheres of society. This approach, which has developed strongly in The Netherlands, enjoys the interest from academics and practitioners around the globe—for its process as well as its outcome. The huge challenges faced in cities and urban regions today make it both relevant and important to explore in what ways integrated, area-based approaches to urban questions may be understood and effectively implemented, and how these can also inspire other approaches and vice versa. Within the MBE department, the Urban Development Management (UDM) team aims to expand on the academic insights achieved thus far, and further its international academic presence and reputation in close collaboration with the existing Dutch Area Development practice chair.

## Job description

In this Tenure Track position, you will be part of the UDM team in pursuit of its mission: to develop useful academic concepts, tools and principles for the management of integrative, area-based development projects in contemporary cities and urban regions.

As Assistant Professor Urban Development Management, you provide teaching and perform research that focuses on the management of urban development projects. Your specific focus will be on the economic and financial (feasibility) aspects of such projects, with special attention for the way projects create public, private and civic value in relevant (e.g. land, real estate, and other) markets. Urban Development Management is an embedded theme in various educational courses in- and outside the faculty, on both BSc and MSc levels, though particularly the MBE master track and the post-experience Master City Developer program. As Assistant Professor, you are co-responsible for the content and structure of UDM education components. In addition, you participate in the MBE department's research program, for which you will be expected to acquire and conduct externally funded research projects. You will also (co-)publish and (co-)edit papers for authoritative international academic journals, write and present conference proceedings, and (co-)produce national professional publications.

A Tenure Track is a process leading up to a permanent appointment with the prospect of becoming an Associate and/or Full Professor. It offers young, talented academics a clear and attractive career path. In

Delft, you will have the opportunity to develop into an internationally acknowledged and recognised academic, for which you will be supported by a structured career and personal development programme.

## **Requirements**

Applicants should have a PhD degree from an internationally recognised institution and demonstrable research skills in the field(s) of real estate and/or (land use) economics and finance, with knowledge of urban geography, planning, public administration and/or management sciences. The ability to discuss public-private partnerships, integrated contracts, and/or sustainable (urban) development on an academic level, is a big plus.

Clear ideas for expanding the UDM field are essential. In relation to this, practical experience in real estate, urban governance and/or planning is highly valued, as is experience in teaching professional as well as student audiences. In addition, applicants should show motivation to working in (a) team(s) and in a multidisciplinary, internationally oriented environment. He/she should be able to show relevant communication, management and administrative skills, competence in written and spoken English, and willingness to learn Dutch.

## **Conditions of employment**

A tenure-track position is offered for six years. Based on performance indicators agreed upon at the start of the appointment, a decision will be made by the fifth year whether to offer you a permanent faculty position. The TU Delft offers a customisable compensation package, a discount for health insurance and sport memberships, and a monthly work costs contribution. Flexible work schedules can be arranged. An International Children's Centre offers childcare and an international primary school. Dual Career Services offers support to accompanying partners. Salary and benefits are in accordance with the Collective Labour Agreement for Dutch Universities.

## **Information and application**

For more information about this position, please contact Prof. Ellen van Bueren, phone: +31 (0)15-2784515, e-mail: E.M.VanBueren@tudelft.nl. Applicants are requested to submit a letter of application; CV; a list of publications; details of three references and a statement of research, teaching, and leadership qualifications. Please e-mail your application by 20 March 2017 to Mrs. C. Moualed, HR-BK@tudelft.nl. When applying for this position, please refer to vacancy number BK2017-02.