2-year Postdoctoral position: Modelling of two-phase flows: application to natural debris flows

Institut de Physique du Globe de Paris (IPGP)

The Seismology Group at Institut de Physique du Globe de Paris is pleased to invite applications for the position of a postdoctoral researcher for a period of 2 years in numerical modeling of two-phase flows for application to natural debris flows. The successful applicant will develop a personal research profile in the field of numerical modeling of geophysical flows and mechanical behavior of granular/fluid mixtures. The objective is to develop accurate mathematical and numerical modeling of two-phase flows that can be applied to simulate real flows over complex topography. The challenge will be notably to incorporate in the models in a consistent way the dilatation and compression of the solid phase and its interaction with the fluid phase. The post-doctoral work, mainly focussing on numerical modeling, will imply collaboration in the field of experimental granular flows and natural landslide observation in volcanic context.

This work is part of a large ERC project SLIDEQUAKES funded by the European Research Council Research (2014-2019). The general objective of this project is to take a major step in improving the detection, understanding and prediction of gravitational flows and their modelling at the field scale through numerical and experimental modelling as well as measurements of landslides and generated seismic waves at the natural scale.

The work will be at the interface between physics, geophysics and mathematics thanks to the close collaboration with François Bouchut, LAMA and Enrique Fernandez-Nieto and Gladys Narbonna-Reina, University of Seville and with specialists in granular physics in France. The post-doctoral fellow will participate in the research activities of the environmental seismology working group. These activities range from numerical and experimental modeling of granular flows and natural landslides to seismic monitoring of environmental sources (landslides, volcanoes, glaciers, ocean waves, cavities, ...). See http://www.ipgp.fr/~mangeney/Research.html for more details.

Institut de Physique du Globe de Paris is a leading research institute in geophysics with specialists in fluid mechanics, seismology (<u>http://sismo.ipgp.fr/</u>), volcanology and computational sciences. This highly dynamic setting enables students and researchers to work with up-to-date methods in the different fields in close connection with surrounding laboratories in mechanics and applied mathematics.

Required knowledge and skills: Requirements for the position are a doctoral degree with experience in numerical modeling of granular and two-phase flows. Skills in advanced computing and programming would be appreciated.

Salary and term: Salary is in accordance with French public service rate (about 2600 euros/month). The position is scheduled starting from May 2014.

Application procedure: Applications including curriculum vitae, list of publications, research statement, names and e-mail addresses of two referees should be sent to Professor Anne Mangeney by e-mail <u>mangeney@ipgp.fr</u>. Review of applications will begin in March 2014 and will continue until the position is filled.