The Chair of **Logistics & Supply Chain Management** is offering the following

**Project Study**

in cooperation with a global relocation management company:

**Revising Supplier Evaluation and Selection at Sterling Relocation**

**About the client:**
Since 1991 Sterling Relocation helps companies relocate employees (i.e. expatriates) all over the world. The company has about 200 employees and performs more than 9000 staff relocations annually to EMEA, North America and the Asia-Pacific region.

**Problem situation:**
The increasing demand in personnel relocations leads to a higher efforts in selecting appropriate contractors for the relocation services (e.g., for immigration procedures, education). The project group shall analyze the current supplier evaluation and selection process and suggest improvements how to choose the ‘right’ company. Importantly, select criteria needs to be defined. Because of the range of providers, the client is looking for a model with consistent regulations and prevention of double-exported or overlooked processes. The project group shall apply several advanced decision methods while it has access to internal data and managers for interviews.

**Selected research tasks:**
- to evaluate existing processing and suggest improvements
- to evaluate academic literature in decision science about supplier evaluation and selection methods (e.g., derive methods from manufacturing to service industry)
- to apply advanced decision methods (e.g., Analytic Hierarchy Process)
- to provide pragmatic checklists how to select an appropriate service contractor

The project team will be coached and supervised by Dr. Martin Stößlein. Kick-off and regular milestone meetings are held via telephone conference. Non-Disclosure Agreements are to be signed.

**Requirements:**
The project study targets students of the study-program TUM-BWL. Qualified candidates have attended lectures in Supply Chain Management. Excellent work attitudes are required.

**Begin:** November 2013 (6-months half-time)
**Advisor:** Dr. Martin Stößlein

For further information please see the Dr. Martin Stößlein in room 1569. Any interested student or group, please send your application (CV and transcripts of records) by email to:

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