

**Otto-Suhr-Institute for Political Science
Center for International Relations**

Research Associate (Postdoc) (m/f/d) full time for a 6-year fixed-term contract in salary group 13 TV-L (100%), starting in the summer term 2024

We are looking for a full-time research associate (Postdoc) (m/f/d) for a 6-year fixed-term contract in salary group 13 TV-L, ideally as of April 1st 2024.

We focus mainly on the comparative analysis of global or regional international organizations (IO), regime complexity, and explanatory research on international norms and international negotiations. A particular focus is on theory-based, methodologically sound empirical analysis.

We are a research-active team and the professorship encompasses the following externally funded projects:

1. "The exit of states from regional organizations. A comparative analysis" (funded by the German Research Foundation (DFG))
2. "Performances of Forest Governance of Regional Regimes - A Comprehensive Comparative Analysis" (joint project with Prof. Dr. Daniela Kleinschmid (University of Freiburg), funded by the DFG)
3. "The secret life-changes of norms: A comprehensive analysis of norm change" (together with Prof. Dr. Ulrich Petersohn (University of Liverpool), funded by the Economic and Social Research Council (ESRC))

Responsibilities:

- teaching duties to the extent of 4 hours per week (4 SWS)
- support in setting up an e-learning portal on political science methodology
- supporting the professorship with oral examinations (taking minutes, etc.) and written examinations (support in organization, supervision, corrections)
- carrying out own research
- engaging in publication activities
- supporting research projects based at the professorship
- participation in the academic self-administration of the department
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The position offers the opportunity for further academic qualification (e.g. through a monograph or journal publications, and/or habilitation).

Requirements:

- completed academic MA degree in political or social sciences and a very good completed PhD in political science
- thematic focus of previous research in the field of International Relations (IR)
- very good track-record of research and publication activities, evidenced by peer-reviewed publications in the field of IR in relevant journals or with academic publishers (double-blind peer review)
- very good knowledge of IR theories and institutional design approaches as well as in the thematic research areas of the professorship, in particular with regard to the comparative analysis of global or regional international organizations (IO), regime complexity, and/or explanatory research on international norms and international negotiations
- high expertise in quantitative and/or qualitative research methods and explanatory research design
- very good skills concerning Stata or R and/or MaxQDA or Atlas.ti
- very good command of German and English

Professional experience

- thematic focus of previous teaching and/or research work in the sub-area of International Relations (IR) of political science
- documented research and publication activity, proven by peer-reviewed publications in the field of IR in relevant English-language journals or published monographs with relevant academic publishers (double-blind peer review)

Desired:

- teaching experience in the field of IR and/or explanatory methodological approaches in political science as well as experience in acquiring own third-party funding (travel grants, etc.) and/or academic self-administration (committees, scientific reviews for journals, etc.) are off advantage, but - especially for applicants who have just completed their doctorate - not a prerequisite for employment
- experience in designing surveys and corresponding programs (especially Unipark) is also an advantage, but not a prerequisite for employment
- interest in collaboration with one of the professorship's third-party funded projects is an advantage, but not a prerequisite for employment

Applications:

Applications including 1) CV, 2) copies of relevant certificates, and 3) a brief statement of interest outlining the proposed contribution to the chair Political Sciences with a focus on International Relations (2 pages) should be sent electronically in one pdf-file to atasp@fu-berlin.de please include the position code "Postdoc IB 4_2024" in your application

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