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The Faculty of Mathematics, Informatics and Natural Sciences, Department of Informatics, Research Group Ethics in Information Technologies invites applications for a

RESEARCH ASSOCIATE (POSTDOC)
FOR ETHICS IN INFORMATION TECHNOLOGIES
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The position in accordance with Section 28 subsection 2 of the Hamburg higher education act (Hamburgisches Hochschulgesetz, HmbHG) commences on 01.03.2021.

This is a fixed-term contract in accordance with Section 2 of the academic fixed-term labor contract act (Wissenschaftszeitvertragsgesetz, WissZeitVG). The initial fixed term is three years. The contract provides for a maximum extension of up to three years depending on the associate's achievements during the first stage. Providing that a position is available and that requirements have been fulfilled, the associate may apply for temporary civil servant status in accordance with Section 28 subsection 2 HmbHG. The position is full-time and comprises 39 hours per week (40 for civil servants). This position is also suitable for part time employment.

RESPONSIBILITIES:

Duties include teaching and research in the respective department or institute. Research associates may also pursue independent research and further academic qualifications as well as acquire teaching experience. These duties are intended to promote academic achievement. Therefore, at least one-third of set working hours will be made available for the associate's own academic work.

SPECIFIC DUTIES:

In the research group "Ethics in Information Technologies" we analyze the ethical, epistemic, political and societal premises and implications of digital technologies to advance the academic, public and political debate around digitalisation. Based at the Department of Informatics, we cooperate closely with computer scientists to develop new, value-sensitive technologies.
You are expected to philosophically assess different information and communication technologies with a particular focus on ethical analyses and to contribute to the academic and public discourse in this area. We further expect your participation in interdisciplinary research and the collaborative development of value-sensitive technologies. You will be teaching (4 hours/semester) at the intersection of ethics, philosophy and computer science.

REQUIREMENTS:

A university degree in a relevant subject plus doctorate. Relevant subjects would be philosophy or closely related disciplines. We also encourage graduates from informatics to apply, if they can demonstrate excellent knowledge in at least two of the following domains: ethics; philosophy of technology and computing; value-sensitive design; areas within philosophy of law, epistemology or philosophy of science which are focused on information technologies. Due to the setting of the research group, we expect you to be enthusiaStic about and experienced in interdisciplinary research at the intersection of ethics, philosophy and computer science. You should be a team player and have excellent organisational and communicative skills. Your research should be published in peer-reviewed, international journals. Experience in research ethics and institutional review boards is desirable.
When submitting your application, please attach your PhD thesis as well as 1-2 selected articles.

The Free and Hanseatic City of Hamburg promotes equal opportunity. As women are currently underrepresented in this job category at Universität Hamburg according to the evaluation conducted under the Hamburg act on gender equality (Hamburgisches Gleichstellungsgesetz, HambGleiG), we encourage women to apply for this position. Equally qualified and suitable female applicants will receive preference.

Qualified disabled candidates or applicants with equivalent status receive preference in the application process.

For further information, please contact Prof.Dr. Judith Simon (simon@informatik.uni-hamburg.de) or consult our website at http://uhh.de/inf-eit.

Applications should include a cover letter, a tabular curriculum vitae, and copies of degree certificate(s). Please send applications by 17.01.2021 to: simon@informatik.uni-hamburg.de.

Please do not submit original documents as we are **not** able to return them. Any documents sub-mitted will be destroyed after the application process has concluded.

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