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Advertisement for appointment of a Research Assistant  
Ref: **RSC 37 / 2011** (please quote in all correspondence)

<b>Department:</b>	Robert Schuman Centre for Advanced Studies
<b>Length of contract and % of full-time:</b>	Full-time as of January 2012 for one year, renewable on a yearly basis up to a total of 4 years and 9 months.
<b>Director of project:</b>	Prof Raffaella Del Sarto
<b>Title of project:</b>	BORDERLANDS: Boundaries, Governance, and Power in the European Union's Relations with North Africa and the Middle East
<b>Job description:</b>	The research project investigates relations between the European Union and its southern periphery, as well as across the latter, through the concept of borderlands. Under the supervision of the project director, the researcher will be part of a team of researchers carrying out different aspects of the research project according to a specific regional and/or thematic focus. This includes the collection and processing of empirical data on different types of economic, political, and territorial boundaries and border regimes across the EU, North Africa and the Middle East and their political implications. The incumbent will also take part in the publication of the research results, as well as in the organization and management of the project's scientific activities.
<b>Qualifications:</b>	<p>The following qualifications are required:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- A Ph.D. in political sciences, economics, law, or related fields (the PhD must have been conferred at the time of applying);</li><li>- A demonstrated research experience in the Arab Middle East;</li><li>- A background in EU external relations with its southern periphery, preferably with a focus on the legal or economic aspects of relations (trade, transport, energy, etc.);</li><li>- The ability to carry out research and publish at the highest academic levels;</li><li>- Strong analytical and writing skills;</li><li>- Experience in working in a multidisciplinary or international research team;</li><li>- The ability to work both independently and in a team; a strong sense of responsibility and concern for quality.</li></ul>
<b>Languages:</b>	Ability to write and speak in English to a high standard. Ability to read Arabic; spoken Arabic an asset. Turkish, French, or Hebrew an asset.

Applications, with curriculum vitae of max. 2 pages, a list of publications and the contact details of two referees, must be addressed to the Academic Service, for the attention of Dr. A. Frijdal, at the following e-mail address: **apply.resposts@eui.eu**. The deadline for applications is **15 October 2011**.