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VACANCY NOTICE for a RESEARCH ASSISTANT

The EUI has a vacancy for a Research Assistant in the Robert Schuman Centre for Advanced Studies.

Reference number: RSC13/2018 (please quote in all correspondence)

Department:	Robert Schuman Centre for Advanced Studies, Migration Policy Centre (MPC)
Length of contract and % of full-time:	Full-time, starting as soon as possible, until 30/04/19. Subject to the availability of future funding, the contract can be further renewed several times up to a total of 5 years (including the first contract period).
Salary indication:	The basic net monthly salary after taxes is approx. 2,200 euro. More information about conditions of employment is available here .
Director of project:	Prof. Geddes/Prof. Ruhs
Title of project:	MEDAM - Mercator Dialogue on Asylum and Migration
Job description:	<p>The Mercator Dialogue on Asylum and Migration (MEDAM, http://www.medam-migration.eu/en/) conducts new research on some of the most pressing public policy issues related to asylum, migration and mobility in the European Union. To support MPC's work on the MEDAM project, we are seeking to recruit a post-doctoral researcher with strong quantitative skills and experience in cross-country analysis of issues related to asylum, migration and/or associated public policies.</p> <p>The selected candidate will become a "Research Associate" at the Migration Policy Centre (MPC). The Research Associate will work with Professor Martin Ruhs (Deputy Director of the MPC) to analyse the nature and determinants of political conflicts between EU member states about how to respond to the increased inflows of asylum seekers, refugees and other migrants in recent years. The project will specifically investigate the role of cross-country variations in national institutions (especially welfare states, labour markets, and related normative attitudes) in contributing</p>

	to disagreements across EU countries about how to create more effective common policies in this area. The project will include quantitative analysis of large-scale datasets covering different EU member states as well as qualitative analysis including in-depth interviews with policy-makers in selected EU countries. Project outputs will include academic publications, blog posts and policy briefs.
Place of work:	Florence, Italy
Qualifications:	<p>Essential:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PhD in Politics, Social Policy, Economics or a related social science discipline • Strong quantitative research skills • Knowledge of research literature on determinants of public policies • Research experience in the political economy (broadly understood) of asylum/refugees, immigration, and/or related public policy issues • Excellent communication skills <p>Desirable:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Experience with using qualitative research methods • Knowledge of comparative welfare state literature • Experience with comparative cross-country analysis • Experience with engaging in public policy debates
Languages:	Fluent English in writing and speaking is required, knowledge of other languages is a plus.
Contact details	For more information contact migration@eui.eu .
Deadline	The closing date for applications is: 4 April 2018
How to apply	<p>Fill in the on line application form and upload documents as requested. The documents to be uploaded are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Maximum two pages CV (including a list of publications, working papers, job market papers, etc.) • One academic paper, book chapter or policy report • Cover letter