

Florence, 28 February 2019

## **VACANCY NOTICE for a RESEARCH ASSISTANT**

The EUI has a vacancy for a Research Assistant in the Department of Political and Social Sciences

Reference number: V/RA/SPS/2/2019 (please quote in all correspondence)

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Department of Political and Social Sciences
Full time 30/30 for two years, starting preferably on 1 September 2019
Approximate starting salary (net): Between 2.200-2.500€ / month, plus allowances if applicable.
Prof. Fabrizio Bernardi and Prof. Juho Härkönen
TECHNEQUALITY: Technological inequality – Understanding the relation between recent technological innovations and social inequality
The appointee will work as a (postdoctoral) researcher as part of TECHNEQUALITY (2018-2021), a consortium of researchers from Maastricht, Cambridge, EUI, Oxford, Stockholm, Tallinn, Tilburg, and WZB (Berlin), which is funded by the EU's Horizon 2020 - programme.
TECHNEQUALITY studies social inequalities in the face of technological change characterised by automatization, digitalization, and robotization, and how labour markets and educational systems can respond to these changes. The main focus of these analyses will be on Europe.
Within this framework, the appointee will conduct research—in collaboration with Professors Bernardi and Härkönen—on the part of the project that analyses occupational and income mobility over the life course (career mobility). Particular focus will be on school-to-work transitions, on occupations most affected by technological change, and on the effects of education (both level and orientation) and family dynamics on career mobility and further education. At least part of this work

	suitable longitudinal data (e.g., BHPS/UKHLS, GSOEP) can be used. These data will be analysed using methods for longitudinal data (e.g., panel regressions, event history analysis, sequence analysis). The results of this research will be submitted for publication in leading sociological and demographic journals.  In addition, the successful candidate is expected to develop her/his independent research under the broad project framework, and help in writing the required project reports. The position also involves other minor project management tasks.
	Research visits to the other partner institutions are possible.
Place of work:	Florence
Qualifications:	The successful applicant is at the time of appointment expected to have, or be very close to completing, a doctoral degree in sociology or a related social science discipline.
	In addition to the above, s/he is able to document high-quality research that shows a) knowledge of the fields of research that are relevant to the project, b) strong skills in analysis of large and complex longitudinal data with appropriate quantitative methods (experience with or readiness to analyse Finnish register data is a strong asset), and c) good writing skills in academic English. The capacity to conduct independent research and good collaboration skills are essential.
Languages:	English
Contact details	For more information contact: Monika.Rzemieniecka@eui.eu
Deadline	The closing date for applications is: 22 March 2019
How to apply	Fill in the on-line application form and upload the following documents  a) cover letter, indicating your fit for the position as well as a brief motivation and description of the research you would want to pursue under TECHNEQUALITY,  b) CV, c) two writing samples, and d) names and contact information for 2-3 references.
	as requested.