



The EUI has an open vacancy for a

# Research Fellow in the Alcide De Gasperi Research Centre and Department of History and Civilization

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## Who we are

The **European University Institute** (EUI) at a glance:

- an **international organisation** set up in 1972;
- a research university focusing exclusively on **postgraduate, doctoral and post-doctoral studies**, and advanced research;
- located in the hills overlooking the city of Florence, Italy.

The Institute also hosts the Historical Archives of the European Union.

The Department of History focuses primarily on the history of Europe, from the late medieval and early modern period to the present, in a transnational and global context.

Established in 2015 at the EUI, the Alcide De Gasperi Research Centre is a unique research hub on European cooperation and integration from the twentieth century to the present. It is a joint initiative of the Historical Archives of the European Union and the EUI's Department of History and Civilisation.

The Centre supports young researchers in the field, coordinates networks of historians, facilitates the use of primary sources and increases public interest in the history of European integration.

## Employment details

**Contract type** Part-time 50 % (15/30, 20 hours/week)

**Length of contract** 12 months, start date 16 January 2024;

This contract may be further renewed (several times and conditional to the availability of funds), leading to an extension of the period of service up to a total of 5 years, including the first contract period.

**Salary indication and grade**

Grade: CDR3 step 1

The basic net monthly salary after taxes is approximately 1820 Euro, plus allowances if applicable.

More information about conditions of employment is available [here](#).

**Place of work**

Florence, Italy

## About the project

**Project Director**

Prof. Claire Kilpatrick

**Project details**

The research project “ShaPE - The Social Partners as shapers and makers of Social Europe: discovering foundations and futures” will create new knowledge to understand where we have come from in terms of the social partners’ roles in making and shaping Social Europe, and thereby to reflect on what roles the social partners should play to meet current large-scale challenges, most notably green, digital and demographic transitions as well as the objectives of EU ‘open strategic autonomy’ and resilience. Social Europe’s foundations will be explored through innovative archival and multidisciplinary analysis of EU Treaty-making and law-making, providing a meta-archive and public history digital exhibition to serve as a template and anchor for future research. These foundations will be discussed and disseminated in light of new challenges to bridge: old and newer Member States; old and newer generations of social partner representatives; history law and industrial relations perspectives, methods and tools for researching Social Europe; and academic, social partner and policy-makers insights. ShaPE’s original research will produce academic analysis of the social partners role in Treaty-making and law-making as well reports and proposals on equipping the EU Treaties for the future to enable the social partners to meet new challenges.

**Job description**

The research fellow will carry out research work in an independent manner and collaborate on the research work of the project. The research assistant will provide research assistance to the Project Director(s). Main tasks include:

- Carrying out preliminary work (literature review, overview of available archival material, identification of candidates for oral history interviews);
- Contributing to the design and creation of a new meta-archive and digital exhibition;
- Research, assessment and analysis of collected sources
- Conducting interviews to enhance the existing archives and fill knowledge gaps;
- Contributing to the evaluation of the added-value of extending the meta-archive to include national level archives;
- Contributing to the communication and dissemination of activities.

## Qualifications and experience

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#### Essential:

- PhD in History (PhD candidates about to defend their thesis are eligible conditional on the successful thesis defence by the contract start date);

#### Desirable:

- At least 3 years of research experience, preferably in the history of European integration.
- Demonstrated ability in conducting archival research and academic writing.

### Languages

Excellent knowledge of English, both spoken and written ([CEFR](#) level: C1 or above). Knowledge of other languages constitutes an advantage.

## How to apply

### Deadline

The closing date for applications is **13 October 2023** at midnight (Florence time)

### Contact details

For more information contact **Francesca Fazio** ([francesca.fazio@eui.eu](mailto:francesca.fazio@eui.eu))

### How to apply

Fill in the [online application form](#) and upload documents as requested

### Data Protection

The purpose of processing the data submitted by candidates is to manage their application in view of a possible pre-selection and recruitment by the EUI. The information candidates provide in their application form is collected for the purpose of the selection procedure. The EUI will ensure that candidates' personal data are processed as required by its Data Protection Policy ([President's Decision No. 10/2019 of 18 February 2019 regarding Data Protection at the EUI](#)).

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