



The EUI has an open vacancy for a

## Research Assistant in the Department of Law

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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 Law is European and international in character, comparative in its approach and contextual in its perspectives. It is committed to the study of law in its many facets. The Department's researchers study the challenges facing European law, private law, constitutional and administrative law, public and private international law, climate change law, environmental law, competition law and economic regulation, and algorithmic, computational and digital law with PhD opportunities across social, cultural, political and economic topics. The Department's methods are diverse. The spectrum of research developed in the department spans doctrinal legal research, critical legal studies, empirical analysis, law and economics, law and technology, comparative law, and more.

### Employment details

**Contract type** *Part-time 60% (18/30, 24 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: ASTAC1b step 1

The basic net monthly salary after taxes is approximately 1700 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 assistant will provide research assistance to the Project Director. Main tasks include:

- Assisting the preliminary work activities (literature review, overview of available sources, identification of candidates for interviews);
- Contributing to the design and creation of a new meta-archive and digital exhibition;
- Supporting research, assessment, analysis of collected sources and with interview conduction;
- Conducting communication and dissemination activities.

## Qualifications and experience

**Qualifications and Experience****Essential:**

- MA in Law ;

- Proven knowledge of EU law especially the social dimension;
- Proven analytical, writing and communication skills;
- Strong organisational skills and ability to set and meet deadlines gathered through previous experience;
- Proven ability to work in a team and to take initiative.

**Desirable:**

- At least 1 year of research experience in the legal field;
- PhD completed or close to completion in Law or a related social science.

**Languages**

Excellent knowledge of English, both spoken and written ([CEFR](#) level: C1 or above). Knowledge of French, Italian, German or Dutch 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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