



The EUI has an open vacancy for a

## Research Assistant in the

# Robert Schuman Centre for Advanced Studies

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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 **Robert Schuman Centre for Advanced Studies (RSCAS)** is an inter-disciplinary research centre at the heart of the European University Institute (EUI). It was established in 1992 to complement the four EUI disciplinary departments (Economics, History and Civilization, Law, Political and Social Sciences) with the aim to be involved in both basic and policy research, collaborate with other centres of excellence in Europe, provide opportunities for young scholars and promote dialogue with the world of practice. The Centre's goal is to maintain an environment and support structure that fosters intellectual curiosity and excellent research. The research agenda of the Centre is currently guided by three major themes: Integration, Governance and Democracy; Regulating Markets and Governing Money; and 21st Century World Politics and Europe.

The **Loyola de Palacio (LdP) Chair on Energy** is the academic counterpart of the **Florence School of Regulation (FSR) – Energy**. Founded in 2008, the Chair honours Loyola de Palacio, the former Vice-President of the European Commission and Commissioner for Energy and Transport (1999-2004). The Loyola de Palacio Chair focuses on the interconnected fields of energy economics, law and regulation as well as geo-politics. Our goal is to produce in-depth research of the highest quality relating to EU energy policy. The Chair's fields of expertise and close connections to both European and national energy policy communities allow us to contribute to current debates and to be a bridge between academia and practice in contemporary Europe. The current holder of the Chair is Professor Leonardo Meeus.

## Employment details

<b>Contract type</b>	Full-time, 30/30 (40 hours/week)
<b>Length of contract</b>	From 4 to 6 months. Start date as soon as possible.  This contract may be 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.
<b>Salary indication and grade</b>	Grade: ASTAC1e, step 1 The basic net monthly salary after taxes is approximately 2,110 Euro, plus allowances if applicable.  More information about conditions of employment is available <a href="#">here</a> .
<b>Place of work</b>	Florence, Italy

## About the project

<b>Project Directors</b>	Professor Leonardo Meeus and RSCAS Director Erik Jones
<b>Project details</b>	<a href="#">The Loyola de Palacio (LdP) Chair on Energy</a> focuses on the interconnected fields of energy economics, law and regulation as well as geo-politics. Our goal is to produce in-depth research of the highest quality relating to EU energy policy.
<b>Job description</b>	The research assistant will provide research assistance to the Directors of the project. Main tasks include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Researching the ongoing reform of electricity markets in Europe;</li><li>• Conducting a review of the literature and practice on the participation by energy efficiency and demand response in capacity remuneration mechanism; and</li><li>• Conducting an analysis of the role and the design of long term contracts, such as CfDs, PPA, and CRMs (if extended), in electricity markets.</li></ul>

## Qualifications and experience

<b>Qualifications and Experience</b>	<b>Essential:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• BA in Economics, Engineering or related field;</li><li>• Basic understanding of energy regulation in Europe proven by previous research and/or working experience.</li></ul> <b>Desirable</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Proven experience in working in energy markets.</li><li>• Demonstrated basic understanding of modelling tools.</li></ul>
<b>Languages</b>	Excellent level of written and spoken English is essential (CEFR Level C1 or above). Knowledge of other languages is an advantage.

## How to apply

<b>Deadline</b>	The closing date for applications is <b>19 February 2023</b> at midnight (Florence time)
<b>Contact details</b>	For more information contact Ian Devine, <a href="mailto:ian.devine@eui.eu">ian.devine@eui.eu</a>
<b>How to apply</b>	Fill in the <a href="#">online application form</a> and upload documents as requested