



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](#) 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.

Employment details

Contract type	Part-time (12/30, 33%)
Length of contract	8 months. Start date 01.06.2025 (or as soon after) 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/1 The basic net monthly salary after taxes is approximately 1240 Euro, plus allowances if applicable.

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

Place of work

To be agreed with Project Director (salary simulation based on place of work Florence, Italy)

About the project

Project Director

Prof. Bernard Hoekman

Project details

The local multiplier effect of industrial jobs in Ethiopia. The project looks at the multiplier effect of formal industrial jobs on informal jobs in Ethiopia. The objective is to show that promoting and attracting investors (domestic and foreign) in the formal part of the economy can indirectly generate employment in the informal manufacturing sector and the services. The conceptual framework behind our analysis builds on work by Moretti (2010) and is based on the view of a local labour market as an interconnected system.

The project will rely on the most granular information on the industrial and services sector currently available for Ethiopia, which will be harmonized at the local labor market level. Based on the harmonised data, we will estimate the effect of industrial jobs on jobs in the informal manufacturing sector and in the services in a panel setting. With these estimates, we will calculate the associated "local multiplier", i.e. how many additional jobs are generated for each job in the formal part of the economy

The project relies on the collection and processing of large administrative data on firms and individuals. This includes several pieces of data that need to be updated, harmonized and connected to each other to allow identifying the relations under study.

Job description

The Research Assistant will provide research assistance to the Directors of the project.

Main tasks include:

- Collecting and cleaning raw data (mostly micro data on firms, individuals, or local shocks);
- Geospatial analysis of collected data on Ethiopian firms and workers, based on administrative data collected for the project;
- Supporting the empirical analysis by providing descriptive work on the data and running econometric estimates;
- Supporting the preparation of an academic paper on the basis of the data and the empirical analysis.

Qualifications and experience

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Essential:

- Master's degree (or equivalent according to EHEA) in Economics or Social Sciences;
- Proven experience in working with micro-data;
- Demonstrated knowledge of STATA and other statistical software acquired through previous experience.

Desirable:

- Proven knowledge of geospatial analysis ;
- Quantitative methods, based on knowledge of advanced techniques for the econometric analysis of micro data.

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 **17 April 2025** at midnight (Florence time)

Contact details

For more information contact Joanna Wielgo (joanna.wielgo@eui.eu)

How to apply

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

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