



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

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| <b>Contract type</b>               | Full-time (30/30, 40 hours/ week)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| <b>Length of contract</b>          | 12 months, start date as soon as possible<br><br>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. |
| <b>Salary indication and grade</b> | Grade: ASTAC1b step 1<br><br>The basic net monthly salary after taxes is approximately 2,860 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. Nicolas Petit

**Project details**

The [Dynamic Competition Initiative](#) (DCI) is an academic collaboration between the European University Institute (EUI) and the Haas School of Business at the University of California, Berkeley. DCI's mission is to set innovation as the first goal of policy and regulation. The core programming includes research and thought leadership, building academic and industry networks, and developing theories, tools, and frameworks for policymaking.

**Job description**

The research assistant will provide research support to the Director of the project.

Main tasks include:

- Supporting the activities of DCI in achieving its research and policy objectives, including the organisation and coordination of related research and policy events;
- Conducting legal, policy, and academic research on issues related to innovation, regulation, and public policy;
- Assisting with research dissemination and scholarship aimed at placing innovation at the centre of policy and regulatory frameworks;
- Supporting stakeholder engagement and communication activities;
- Contributing to DCI's educational and training activities, including the development and maintenance of wiki resources and other content-generation projects;
- Assisting with the coordination of scholars' programmes and academic initiatives;
- Contributing to the preparation of submissions, consultations, and communications with public agencies.

## Qualifications and experience

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**Essential:**

- Master of Arts (or equivalent according to EHEA) in Law;
- Proven knowledge of the academic literature and policy debate regarding dynamic competition and dynamic capabilities as well as industrial policy;
- Demonstrated experience in research activities, including legal, policy and/or academic research.

**Desirable:**

- PhD in Competition Law, Economics, or Management;
- Track-record of relevant publications on competition and merger policy with a focus on dynamic competition.

## 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 **21 October 2026** at midnight (Florence time)

### Contact details

For more information contact Ana Dicu ([ana.dicu@eui.eu](mailto:ana.dicu@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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