The EUI has an open vacancy for a

Research Assistant in the

Florence School of Transnational Governance

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Who we are

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- 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.

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The Florence School of Transnational Governance (STG), founded in 2017 at the European University Institute, is a global hub for teaching, training, and research in governance beyond national borders. In the cradle of the Renaissance, we provide a dynamic platform where leaders from policymaking, business, civil society, media, and academia connect. We welcome independent minds, thinkers, and doers, offering world-class expertise from leading scholars and policymakers. Committed to innovation and inclusivity, we equip future and current leaders with the tools to tackle today's most pressing global challenges. We believe public policy should bring out the best in people.

Employment details

Contract type	Part-time (16/30, 21 hours/week)
Length of contract	12 months, start date as soon as possible 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 **1,560** 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. Jos Delbeke

Project details

The EUI Carbon Markets Hub was launched in 2023, leveraging expertise in the EU and UK ETS, CBAM, carbon credit markets, and approaches within Article 6 of the Paris Agreement, as well as lessons from the CDM under the Kyoto Protocol and CORSIA. Its priorities include developing carbon pricing as a central component of climate policies at all levels - national, regional, and global - exploring potential interoperability and examining the emerging role of CDR credits.

Job description

The Research Assistant will provide support to the Project Director and the team. Main tasks include:

- Conducting research on carbon pricing, carbon credit markets and developments under Article 6 of the Paris Agreement;
- Producing policy relevant publications e.g. Policy Briefs;
- Contributing to the organisation of high-level policy dialogues;
- Contributing to the design and delivery of teaching and training.

Qualifications and experience

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Essential:

- Master of Arts in Economics, Political Sciences or a related field;
- Demonstrable knowledge of carbon pricing, carbon markets, Article 6 of the Paris Agreement, multi-stakeholder initiatives on credit integrity.

Desirable:

- Proven experience in contributing to policy relevant publications;
- Proven experience in contributing to policy events.

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 **18 November 2026** at midnight (Florence time)

Contact details

For more information contact Barry O'Connell (barry.oconnell@eui.eu)

How to apply	Fill in the online application form and upload documents as requested

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