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The Faculty of Mathematics, Informatics and Natural Sciences and the Faculty of Business, Economics, and Social Sciences invites applications for a

RESEARCH ASSOCIATE FOR THE PROJECT “CLICCS - CLIMATE, CLIMATIC CHANGE, AND SOCIETY”

- SALARY LEVEL 13/14 TV-L -

The position in accordance with Section 28 subsection 3 of the Hamburg higher education act (Hamburgisches Hochschulgesetz, HmbHG) commences on 1 May, 2020.

This is a fixed-term contract in accordance with Section 2 of the academic fixed-term labor contract act (Wissenschaftszeitvertragsgesetz, WissZeitVG). The term is fixed until 31 December 2025. The position calls for 39 hours per week. This position is also suitable for part time employment.

RESPONSIBILITIES:

Duties include academic services in the project named above. Research associates may also pursue independent research and further academic qualifications.

SPECIFIC DUTIES:

CLICCS is an ambitious research program at Universität Hamburg and its partner institutions. Funded by the German Research Foundation (DFG), it is part of Germany's Excellence Strategy.

The program aims to understand climate changes, taking into account internal variability, extreme events, and unexpected side effects, addressing the natural and social spheres as well as their interactions. Thus CLICCS' overarching research question is: Which climate futures are possible and which are plausible? CLICCS will investigate how climate changes and how society changes with it, thereby feeding back on climate. It will identify those climate futures that are consistent with both climate and social dynamics (possible), and those we expect to unfold with appreciable probability (plausible).

As part of a larger team, the person holding this post will play crucial roles in providing the CLICCS synthesis, which will be centred on an annual assessment of ongoing climate research (including social science research) toward the CLICCS research question on possible and plausible climate futures. In collaboration with the CLICCS spokespersons and Theme leaders, and two teammates, the postholder will review and assess new results, both within CLICCS and outside, and synthesize these results in the annual Hamburg Climate Futures Outlook. The work entails all aspects toward the Hamburg Climate Futures Outlook, from the ongoing review of relevant literature and other assessments, to the collection of relevant results from the individual CLICCS projects, to the interaction with internal and external experts providing annual assessments through dedicated workshops. It is foreseen that some specific synthesis results will be published separately in peer-reviewed journals.

REQUIREMENTS:

A university degree in a relevant subject plus doctorate. The position requires a self-motivated, collaborative thinker who seeks and creates opportunities and who is able to plan, organize, and execute multi-task problems to meet deadlines. A doctorate is required, as is the demonstrated ability to publish research findings through the relevant outlets in the chosen field. The position demands a disciplinary background in the social sciences; and in addition the willingness and the ability to work in a broad interdisciplinary context. Outstanding written and oral communication skills in English are essential; communication skills in German would be an asset.

Qualified disabled candidates or applicants with equivalent status receive preference in the application process.

For further information, please contact one of our spokespersons:

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or consult our website at <https://www.cliccs.uni-hamburg.de/>.

The interviews will take place on 20 March, 2020.

Applications should include a cover letter, a tabular curriculum vitae, and copies of degree certificate(s). Please send applications by 6 March, 2020 to: [cliccs-applications.cen@uni-hamburg.de..](mailto:cliccs-applications.cen@uni-hamburg.de)

Please do not submit original documents as we are **not** able to return them. Any documents submitted will be destroyed after the application process has concluded.