

Announcement

University assistant (post doc) European Integration, EIF, Department of Political Science, University of Vienna

Faculty of Social Sciences

Job vacancy starting from: September 1st, 2025

Working hours: 40,00

Classification CBA: §48 VwGr. B1 lit. b (postdoc)

Limited contract until: August 31st, 2028

Job ID: **3693**

Deadline for applications: June 9th, 2025

The University of Vienna:

At the [University of Vienna](#), over 10,000 people work together on the big questions of the future. Approximately 7,500 of them are academic staff members. These are individuals who, with their curiosity and their continuous pursuit of excellence, engage in international cutting-edge research and teaching. With us, you will also find space to unfold your potential.

Explore and teach at the University of Vienna, where over 7,500 brilliant minds have found a unique balance of freedom and support. Join us if you're passionate about groundbreaking international research and academic excellence. Ready to be part of our team? Let's shape the future together!

The Department:

The [Department of Political Science](#) provides research and teaching in the full range of core areas of political science, develops innovative and problem-oriented research focuses and offers a broad diversity of options for its students to seek specialisation. Its

staff is currently involved in examining the transformation of governance, state and democracy in different policy areas, geographical regions and political spaces.

The [Centre for European Integration Research](#) (EIF) is a research group within the Department of Political Science that is dedicated to research and teaching in the field of European integration. It has specialized in problem-oriented basic research regarding different EU policy areas and their comparison.

Your Future Tasks:

Active participation in research, teaching and administration in the field of EU research ([Prof. Dr. Gerda Falkner](#)). This includes mainly:

- Establishing or expanding your profile as an independent researcher in cooperation with colleagues at EIF
- Being active internationally in publishing and holding lectures
- Founding long-term structures for research and acquisition of external funds
- Teaching and supervising students
- Participating in research projects and hosting international conferences
- Taking part in research evaluations and quality assurance
- Involvement in administrating research, teaching and institutional matters

What We Expect:

Specialisation in European integration or EU policies with publications or draft manuscripts, the prime research focus being the EU-level analysis of the European multi-level system, based on a problem-oriented, qualitative and possibly comparative approach. In particular, we welcome expertise to broaden the [Vienna Working Group on Digital Europe](#). Relevant are, inter alia, recent EU policy initiatives like the Digital Services Act and the Platform Work Directive as well as projects to mitigate the dangers to democratic governance in Europe arising from processes of digitalisation that remain largely unregulated in either legal or practical terms.

Requirements:

- PhD graduate in political science or a neighbouring and related discipline (graduation at the latest in summer 2025)
- Proven skills regarding publishing in highly renowned, pertinent journals and publishing houses

- Affinity and high level of knowledge concerning European integration and fields of EU policy
- Proficiency in English, competence in spoken and written German is an asset
- Well versed in qualitative (and, optionally, quantitative) empirical methods of the social sciences
- Excellent at expressing yourself orally and in writing
- Experienced in prolific didactics
- Able to work harmoniously in a team
- Capable software user (MS Office)

Further Assets:

- Experience in acquiring external funding or participation in research projects respectively
- Having already given lectures in international settings
- Previous teaching in political science
- Capable to hold classes in English
- Knowledge in curricular matters and supervision of students (possibly even concerning master or doctoral theses)
- Insight into university processes and structures
- International experiences
- Skill set regarding equality and diversity

What We Offer:

Work-life balance: Our employees enjoy flexible working hours and may take occasional home office days upon agreement. The place of employment is Vienna.

Inspiring working atmosphere: You are a part of an international academic team in a healthy and fair working environment.

Good public transport connections: Your workplace in the center of beautiful Vienna is easily accessible by public transport.

Internal further training & Coaching: Opportunity to deepen your skills on an ongoing basis. There are over 600 courses to choose from – free of charge.

Fixed-term contract and fair salary: The basic salary of EUR 4,932.90 (14 times a year) for a period of 3 years increases if we can credit professional experience.

Equal opportunities for all: We welcome every additional/new personality to the team!

It Is Easy to Apply:

- Letter of motivation (in English or German)
- Academic CV (including your list of publications, previous teaching assignments and lectures, and an outline of your experience with applying for (and potentially handling) externally funded projects)
- Description of where your emphasis in research has been placed so far and what you wish to deal with in the future (three to five pages in English)
- Contact details for two potential references
- Certificates and diploma (copies, originals needed in case of interview)

Hand your documents in via the University's Job Portal: <https://jobs.univie.ac.at/job-invite/3693/> (If the website appears in German, click on „Sprache“ top right and select English.)

If You Have Any Questions, Please Contact:

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We look forward to new personalities in our team! The University of Vienna has an anti-discriminatory employment policy and attaches great importance to equal opportunities, the [advancement of women](#) and [diversity](#). We lay special emphasis on increasing the number of women in senior and in academic positions among the academic and general university staff and therefore expressly encourage qualified women to apply. Given equal qualifications, preference will be given to female candidates.