

The newly established Doctoral School, „Political Institutions and Leadership in a Contingent World”, at the University of Innsbruck, Austria, invites applications for a

**Pre-doc researcher/Phd-student,  
0.75 fte (30 hours/week), fixed term, for the duration of three years**

Successful applicants will have an excellent Master’s degree in Political Science, good knowledge of social science research methods, excellent English-language skills, and a serious interest in the research agendas of the Doctoral School and the Research Centre, “Spheres of Governance: Institutions and Agency” (SOGIA), with which the Doctoral School is affiliated (<https://www.uibk.ac.at/sogia/index.html.en>)

Applicants are expected to pursue a PhD within the PhD-curriculum in Political Science at the University of Innsbruck (<https://www.uibk.ac.at/studium/angebot/phd-politikwissenschaft/>)

The planned dissertation project should be located in one of the two areas: “Executive politics in democratic or authoritarian regimes” or “Political opposition in democratic or authoritarian regimes”. Research proposals with a genuinely comparative focus are particularly welcome.

Applicants are also expected to participate in the research-related activities of the Doctoral School and the Research Centre. Moderate teaching is possible on mutual agreement but is not mandatory element of the job profile.

The earliest possible starting date is mid-July 2017, or as soon as possible afterwards. The successful applicant is expected to reside in Innsbruck, Austria, and will be joining the academic staff at the Department of Political Science. The minimum gross salary (stipulated by collective agreement) for this position is € 2.048 (x 14), i.e., € 28.672 / year.

Complete applications have to include: a brief motivation letter, a full CV (including the name and contact details of at least one reference giver), a draft proposal for a PhD dissertation project (about 1500 words).

Applications – stating the application code: POSO-9360 – should be submitted online at: [https://orawww.uibk.ac.at/public/karriereportal.details?asg\\_id\\_in=9360](https://orawww.uibk.ac.at/public/karriereportal.details?asg_id_in=9360)

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**Application deadline: 17 June 2017**