



The Geschwister Scholl Institute of Political Science at the LMU Munich invites applications for a

## **Doctoral Position in Political Science (f/m/d)**

(TV-L E 13, 65%, 4 years)

The successful applicant will start the position on 1 October 2019 (or earlier) as part of the Emmy Noether Research Group “EUPLEX – Coping with Policy Complexity in the European Union”, headed by Dr. Steffen Hurka. The project, funded by the German Research Foundation (DFG), has officially started on 1 April 2019 and will run for six years, given a successful mid-term evaluation in April 2022. Pursuing a mixed-methods approach, EUPLEX addresses the following central research questions: (1) How can we capture the complexity of policy content in the European Union conceptually, measure it empirically and thereby make it comparable systematically? (2) Which factors account for varying degrees of policy complexity and which comparable relevance can we ascribe to functional, political and institutional determinants? (3) How is policy complexity processed by the EU’s political institutions and how does it affect policy implementation in the member states?

### **Responsibilities**

- Contribution to the project’s conceptual and theoretical development, as well as to its data collection efforts (both quantitative and qualitative).
- Co-authorship of project publications and presentations at international conferences.
- Development of a dissertation in the broader context of the research project.
- Coordination of and cooperation with student research assistants.

### **Required qualifications**

- Completed, very good MA degree in political science, preferably with a focus on policy analysis and/or European Union politics.
- Solid knowledge of at least one statistical software (R or Stata).
- Skills in automated data collection and text analysis are an advantage.
- Fluency in English and excellent writing skills.
- Reliability, creativity and passion about scientific work.

### **We offer**

- Employment for a time period of 4 years (TV-L E 13, 65%), given the successful mid-term evaluation of the project by the DFG in April 2022.
- An inspiring research environment at an excellent university.

LMU Munich is an equal opportunity employer committed to excellence through diversity, and therefore explicitly encourages women to apply. Applicants with disabilities who possess essentially equal qualifications will be given preference.

If you have any questions, please contact Dr. Steffen Hurka ([steffen.hurka@gsi.uni-muenchen.de](mailto:steffen.hurka@gsi.uni-muenchen.de)). Please email your application including a letter of motivation, a CV, copies of your degrees, and a writing sample (e.g. a term paper) to [steffen.hurka@gsi.uni-muenchen.de](mailto:steffen.hurka@gsi.uni-muenchen.de) by **31 May 2019**.