



Dublin City University, Ireland

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Network of Excellence for Research into Violent Online Political Extremism (VOX-Pol)

Funded by FP7 and coordinated by Dublin City University

Research Assistants (x 2) Full-time Fixed Term Contracts (11 months, from 1 February 2018)

Dublin City University has been awarded European Union Framework Programme 7 (FP7) funding, worth over €5 million, to establish a Network of Excellence (NoE) focusing on research into violent online political extremism. Related to this project we are seeking to recruit two research assistants for a short-term full-time contract.

The VOX-Pol Project

VOX-Pol is a five-year project that integrates the world's leading researchers and research groups in violent online political extremism, to include those researching the intersection of terrorism and the Internet (incl. violent jihadists, violent separatists, etc.), the online activities of the extreme left and the extreme right, the potential for violent online radicalisation, etc. The objective of VOX-Pol is to create a sustainable critical mass of innovative activity among what is currently a burgeoning, but fragmented group of researchers and research topics and ensure that EU strategies and policies targeting violent online political extremism, are based on concrete evidence, experience, and knowledge about the contours and workings of violent online political extremism and thus increasing their likelihood of success.

****The interviews for this role will occur between 8th and 10th January 2018.**

The Roles:

Research assistants (RAs) will be tasked with assisting the VOX-Pol team with a variety of academic and administrative tasks, including, but not limited to newsletter preparation, blogs, dissemination via social media, event preparation, post-event reporting, project reporting, along with substantive online research in the area of violent online political extremism, under the supervision of research staff from DCU. RAs will have an opportunity to gain hands-on experience in online research methods, data collection, data analyses, use of appropriate tools for analyses of online content, etc.

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RAs will be required to work directly under the supervision of the Principal Investigator and Programme Manager. The successful candidate will:

1. Have a primary degree in a relevant social science subject;
2. Be a competent communicator;
3. Be proficient with MS-Office, incl. Powerpoint, Word, and Excel;
4. Have excellent administrative skills;
5. Will be proficient with Social Media platforms, incl. Twitter, YouTube, Storify, HootSuite, Reddit, online forums, etc.;
6. Demonstrate a keen interest in violent online political extremism, ideally evidenced by research-to-date;
7. Demonstrate an interest in academic professional development.

Salary Scale: IUA Researcher Salary Scale Point 1 - €21,459.

Closing date: 4th January 2018

Informal Enquiries via email to:

Lisa McInerney, VOX-Pol Programme Manager: lisa.mcinerney@dcu.ie. Please do not send applications to this address, instead apply as described below.

Further information about VOX-Pol is available at <http://voxpath.eu>.

Application Procedure

Application forms are available from the DCU Current Vacancies (open Competitions) website at <http://www.dcu.ie/vacancies/current.shtml> and also from the Human Resources Department, Dublin City University, Dublin 9. Tel: +353 (0) 1 7005149.

Please clearly state the role that you are applying for in your application and email subject line: Job Ref 741 VOX-Pol Research Assistant.

Applications should be submitted by email to hr.applications@dcu.ie or by Fax: +353 (0)1 7005500 or by post to the Human Resources Department, Dublin City University, Dublin 9. Human Resources Department, Dublin City University, Dublin 9. Tel: +353 1 700 5149; Fax: +353 1 700 5500 Email: Insert hr.applications@dcu.ie

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