EURHISFIRM
Long-term company-level data for Europe
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JOB OFFER

The Department of Social Sciences at Universidad Carlos III Madrid invites applications for a full-time, fixed-period (21 months) position of Business & Strategic Planning Manager of the project EURHISFIRM – Long-term Company-level Data for Europe.

The EURHISFIRM project

EURHISFIRM (https://eurhisfirm.eu/) is a Research Infrastructure Design Project in the field of social sciences and humanities that brings together eleven research organizations in seven European countries. It is funded by the European Commission under the INFRADEV-01-2017 scheme of the Horizon 2020 Infrastructure Program. Its objective is to connect, collect, collate, align, and share standardized historical company-level data for Europe to enable researchers, policymakers and other stakeholders to analyze, develop, and evaluate effective strategies to promote investment and economic growth. The project contributes to the ongoing “big data” revolution in the historical social sciences by scaling up the variety, quantity, and quality of available long-term data. Within the framework of the Research Data Alliance, the EURHISFIRM Research Infrastructure will operate as an integrated historical extension of CESSDA (Consortium of European Social Science Data Archive) and closely collaborate with DARIAH (Digital Research Infrastructure for the Arts and Humanities) to enhance the value of Europe’s cultural heritage in company data.
The University

Universidad Carlos III de Madrid (UC3M) is a young, highly internationalized university. In the QS World University Rankings by Subject 2019, it is included among the top 50 world universities in Economics, among the top 100 in Law and Finance & Accounting, among the top 150 in Statistics and Operational Research, and among the top 200 worldwide in other academic fields such as Business & Management Studies. The Department of Social Sciences is composed of political scientists, sociologists, economic and social historians. Its research centers include the L.Figuerola Institute of Social Sciences History, the Carlos III-Juan March Institute of Social Sciences, and the Discrimination & Inequality Laboratory. It organizes Master programs in Social Sciences, Political & Electoral Analysis, Geopolitics & Strategic Studies, and Economic Development & Growth; and PhD programs in Social Sciences and Economic History. Faculty is highly internationalized and teaching is mostly in English.

Tasks and duties

Within the EURHISFIRM Project, researchers at the Department of Social Sciences of the Universidad Carlos III Madrid are responsible for Working Package 10 "Business and Governance Model". The main task of the Business & Strategic Planning Manager will be to design EURHISFIRM’s business and governance model, capitalizing on the experience of existing research infrastructures in the field of social sciences and humanities, and drawing from best practices for the management of social sciences data repositories worked out by international bodies such as the OECD and the EU. The business and governance model should: 1) demonstrate the long-run sustainability of the EURHISFIRM research infrastructure; 2) involve the community of international stakeholders in its management; 3) guarantee a balanced composition of its governing and supervisory bodies.

The hired professional will be required to engage in the following activities:
- survey existing concepts of business and governance models for Research Infrastructures, in general, and data repositories in social sciences and humanities, more specifically;
- establish contacts and manage exchanges with experts from running Research Infrastructures and policy-making bodies, such as ESFRI (European Strategy Forum on Research Infrastructures);
- establish contacts and manage exchanges with EURHISFIRM’s prospective stakeholders (academic institutions, scholars, research funding agencies, public institutions, private companies);
- negotiate prospective funding commitments with public and private research infrastructure funding institutions;
- cooperate with other working packages within the EURHISFIRM project on all issues related to the formulation of the business and governance model;
- design EURHISFIRM’s long-run business plan based on estimated costs and streams of revenues that ensure its financial sustainability;
- draft preliminary and final reports on EURHISFIRM’s business and governance model;
- attend EURHIFIRM’s meetings.

**Profile**

Candidates should have:
- academic education at MBA or Master level in areas related to the job offer (Management & Business Administration);
- training in one or more of the following disciplines: business strategy, financial planning & analysis, forecast modeling, scenario analysis, marketing;
- fluent English (written and spoken); additional language skills will be an advantage; knowledge of Spanish is NOT required;
- work experience in related fields (e.g. strategic consulting, data management) will be an advantage.

The position requires also:
- research and analytical skills;
- strong communication skills and excellent writing ability;
- energy, initiative and leadership abilities;
- international mobility.

**Start and duration of the position**

The starting date will be July 1, 2019 and in any case no later than September 1, 2019; the duration of the contract is 18 months.

**Salary**

The monthly gross salary will be up to 2,200 Euros depending on qualifications and experience.

**Application**

Candidates should submit an expression of interest in the job offer, together with the standard academic credentials, a cover letter and a CV until **May 15, 2019**, by contacting the WP10’s scientific coordinator, Prof. Stefano Battilossi, at battilos@clio.uc3m.es. Please mention EURHISFIRM WP10 JOB OFFER in the subject line of your application email.

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