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Website: <http://www.uio.no/>
Scope: Fulltime
Duration: Fixed Term

Postdoctoral Research Fellow in digital entrepreneurship and sustainability transitions

Job description

Applications are invited for a three-year postdoctoral fellowship to conduct research on the role of digital entrepreneurship in sustainability transitions. The position will be based at the Digitalization research group at the Department of Informatics and is funded by the research centre INTRANSIT.

Digitalization is a recently established research group at the Department of Informatics at the University of Oslo. The group hosts researchers from the field of entrepreneurship, information systems, and digital design.

The research centre INTRANSIT - "Centre for the Study of Innovation Policy for Industrial Transformation, Sustainability and Digitalization" - is an interdisciplinary research centre by the University of Oslo, SINTEF Digital, and Utrecht University. Information about INTRANSIT including its main research aims is available at: <https://www.sv.uio.no/tik/english/research/centre/intransit/>

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Starting date to be agreed upon with the Department of Informatics.

More about the position

The postdoctoral position is connected to study the role of digital entrepreneurship in fostering sustainability transitions, as well as interaction dynamics between "digital" start-ups and "analog" established firms during transition processes (see research stream 3 within INTRANSIT).

The candidate recruited for this position will work on relevant conceptual and empirical studies by taking an organizational/firm-level perspective and by working with theories from the field of organization studies. The candidate will also support in identifying and mapping collaborative efforts between digital entrants and incumbents during periods of transition across focal Norwegian sectors. The successful candidate is expected to have experience in both qualitative and quantitative research methods; welcome are also "big data" methodological skills related to data collection and analysis.

The main purpose of a postdoctoral fellowship is to provide the candidates with enhanced skills to pursue a scientific top position within or beyond academia. To promote a strategic career path, all postdoctoral research fellows are required to submit a [professional development plan](#) no later than one month after commencement of the postdoctoral period.

Qualification requirements

The Faculty of Mathematics and Natural Sciences has a strategic ambition is to be among Europe's leading communities for research, education and innovation. Candidates for these fellowships will be selected in accordance with this, and expected to be in the upper segment of their class with respect to academic credentials.

The preferred candidate for this position will fulfill the following criteria:

- PhD degree in a social science discipline, with relevance for the area of entrepreneurship and organization studies (organization studies, innovation studies, economics, management studies, information systems, sustainability transitions studies, etc).
- Only candidates that have submitted their PhD to defense before the closing date for this position are eligible for the position.
- Demonstrated experience with relevant theories for studies of digital entrepreneurship and analog/digital organizational interaction dynamics.
- Demonstrated methodological skills in both qualitative and quantitative research methods, a focus on "big data" research methods is warranted.
- High-level proficiency in written and spoken English is required.
- The ability to perform high impact work, demonstrated by previous publications in relevant journals, will be positive.
- Some mastery of a Scandinavian language is beneficial for performing parts of the empirical work, but is not required.

We offer

- Salary NOK 523 200 - 605 500 per annum depending on qualifications in position as Postdoctoral Research Fellowship (position code 1352)
- Academically stimulating work environment at DIGENT and INTRANSIT

- Opportunity to participate at international conferences and workshops
- Attractive [welfare benefits](#) and a generous pension agreement
- [Postdoctoral development programmes](#)
- Oslo's family-friendly surroundings with their rich opportunities for culture and outdoor activities

How to apply

The application must include:

- Cover letter
- Motivation letter (in this letter, candidates should describe their academic and professional background and qualifications, indicate which perspectives and methods they have experience with and how they will use these in the post-doctoral work. It is expected that the applicants have reviewed the research program of INTRANSIT and describe how their research will specifically contribute to research stream 3)
- A detailed academic CV (listing education, prior positions and academic employment, including a list of scientific publications)
- Copies of educational certificates (academic transcripts only)
- Names and contact details of 2-3 references (name, relation to candidate, e-mail and phone number)

The application with attachments must be delivered in our electronic recruiting system, please follow the link "apply for this job". Foreign applicants are advised to attach an explanation of their University's grading system. Please note that all documents should be in English (or a Scandinavian language).

Short-listed applicants might be called in for an interview. Relevant applicants might be asked to write a project proposal elaborating on a specific research task to be undertaken during the fellowship period.

It is expected that the successful candidate will be able to complete the project in the course of the period of employment.

Formal regulations

Please see the [guidelines and regulations](#) for appointments to Postdoctoral fellowships at the University of Oslo.

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According to the Norwegian Freedom of Information Act (Offentleglova) information about the applicant may be included in the public applicant list, also in cases where the applicant has requested non-disclosure.

The University of Oslo has an [agreement](#) for all employees, aiming to secure rights to research results etc.

The University of Oslo aims to achieve a balanced gender composition in the workforce and to recruit people with ethnic minority backgrounds.

Contact information

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For question regarding our application system, please contact HR Adviser Torunn Standal Guttormsen, phone:+47 22854272, email: t.s.guttormsen@mn.uio.no

About the University of Oslo

The University of Oslo is Norway's oldest and highest rated institution of research and education with 28 000 students and 7000 employees. Its broad range of academic disciplines and internationally esteemed research communities make UiO an important contributor to society.

The Department of Informatics (IFI) is one of nine departments belonging to the Faculty of Mathematics and Natural Sciences. IFI is Norway's largest university department for general education and research in Computer Science and related topics.

The Department has more than 1800 students on bachelor level, 600 master students, and over 240 PhDs and postdocs. The overall staff of the Department is close to 370 employees, about 280 of these in full time positions. The full time tenured academic staff is 75, mostly Full/Associate Professors..

Additional information

Place of service:

Gaustadalleén 23B 0371 Oslo (Oslo Municipality)