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The Faculty of Law and The Norwegian Centre for Hydrogen Research (HyValue) are recruiting a tenure track associate professor in the interdisciplinary field of energy, and business law with a focus on hydrogen regulation, ideally combining theoretical knowledge of energy law with practice in the industry. This is a 6-year fixed term, with a possible promotion to a permanent full-time position as professor at the end of this period.

About The Norwegian Centre for Hydrogen Research (HyValue)

HyValue is an interdisciplinary and industry-cooperative Centre for Environmental-friendly Energy Research led by [NORCE](#). The centre has received funding from The Research Council of Norway for an 8-year period (15.6.22 - 01.07.30). In this period, HyValue aims to develop knowledge, methodology and innovative solutions for hydrogen energy carriers to build and support a competitive hydrogen energy sector. A transition to hydrogen-based fuels can only be achieved through a holistic development covering technical solutions, regulatory frameworks, economic incentives and societal and environmental impact and safety.

[The Faculty of Law](#) will co-lead work package "Integrating hydrogen in value chains" along with the Norwegian School of Economics (NHH). In this work package, the focus is to analyze opportunities to develop maritime-linked hydrogen value chains and study how regulations and economic incentives can be designed to avoid barriers and promote business models for hydrogen-based fuels. The faculty will also contribute to the research on solutions for technical safety and public trust in a hydrogen economy. The recruited associate professor will collaborate with other researchers from the faculty in this work package and assist the work package leaders in research output.

About the tenure track position

The aim of an employment into a tenure track position is to recruit a candidate for a full-time permanent position as professor. Please see below for information about qualifications needed to get a permanent position as a professor at the end of the tenure track period. The faculty is committed to facilitate the development of the competence within teaching, research, dissemination and innovation for the successful applicant.

The associate professor will be employed as a full-time researcher (100%) in HyValue the first three years. Then he/she is to participate in research (46%), education and teaching-related activities (46%) and administration (8%). These activities include:

- Teaching, supervising and examining master students in law and possibly also in other related fields
- Supervising PhD students in law
- Continue research within legal aspects of hydrogen and renewable energy connected to HYValue
- Participating and contributing to applications for external funding of research
- Engaging in public outreach activities
- Administration

Qualifications and personal qualities

- Applicant must have a master's degree in law or equivalent legal education and a Norwegian PhD in law or equivalent legal expertise.
- The applicant should have obtained a PhD degree normally within the last 5 years.
- Applicants should have experience with legal aspects from the energy sector.
- Applicants should be able to demonstrate strong interpersonal skills and the ability to work and communicate well with other in a team environment.
- Applicants need to have proven competence in subjects that are a part of the master's programme at the faculty of law.

- The successful applicant must be able to teach in Norwegian or one of the other Scandinavian languages within three years of his/her appointment. Norwegian courses will be offered.
- Educational competence as outlined below.

Educational competence requirements

Basic pedagogical training and experience in the supervision of students at university level is a requirement for the position as associate professor. This implies completed formal pedagogical training, as well as basic skills in planning, implementation, evaluation and development of teaching and supervision. Should the successful applicant not have such competence at the time of appointment, he/she will be required to document such training within two years of the date of appointment. Upon employment the successful candidate will develop a plan for research and teaching to balance the requirements in HyValue and the tenure track position.

The application should include a teaching portfolio that provides an overview of teaching experience and pedagogical qualifications as well as a brief reflection statement. The statement should primarily describe the applicant's own teaching philosophy and an evaluation of own teaching in relation to his/her knowledge of students' learning at a higher education level. You will find more detailed information about criteria and documentation requirements for assessing educational qualifications [here](#).

Framework for the project

HyValue will undertake long-term research at low technology readiness levels to support and enable the hydrogen energy transition. This is done in a cross-disciplinary consortium of national and international research partners with cutting-edge expertise in hydrogen related technical, economic, legal and societal fields of research.

Legal research is prioritized in the center as law is set in a technical and applied context. Public and private law rules will shape the way that hydrogen industrial and commercial applications are rolled out and a strong legal understanding of limits and opportunities will support the development of industrial models and practices. In such light, HyValue aims to identify economic and regulatory barriers and propose incentive structures to accelerate implementation of a hydrogen-based energy sector. Additionally, it aims to develop cost-efficient solutions for hydrogen transport as well as develop health and safety frameworks to foster its social acceptance

As a key component of the legal team working in HyValue, the candidate's envisaged research focus will be split between a primary focus on private law aspects of hydrogen regulation and a second aspect related to more public law/regulatory matters. In the first case, HyValue seeks to generate innovative legal research connected to contractual models for selling hydrogen, financial and investment mechanisms (public and private), industrial practices, and business strategies. In the regulatory perspective, HyValue will contribute with better understanding related to rules on transportation of hydrogen, EU/EEA internal energy market, offshore marine/maritime hydrogen interactions, and sector coupling regulation.

Your application must include:

- A cover letter.
- The project description (maximum 10 pages) must relate to legal aspects of hydrogen regulation as defined by the objectives pursued by HyValue and include a plan for research and expected outputs (articles and/or books) and public dissemination of results for the first 3 year as a full-time researcher in HyValue. It is expected that the applicant is well oriented about the [HyValue project](#). Please contact Ingrid Birce Müftüoğlu (ingrid.muftuoglu@uib.no) for more information about the project.
- Additionally, the proposal must include a research plan for the last 3 years of the tenure track position. During this time, the candidate is encouraged to explore topics within energy and business law that synergize with the Faculty's and University's strategy, as well as linked to HyValue.
- The CV must include a complete list of publications and working papers, overview of the applicant's education, earlier positions and other activities.
- Certified copies of diplomas for highest degree and other relevant certificates.
- A list of 5 scholarly works, or parts of such works, on which the committee should place special emphasis in its evaluation.
- A list of attachments providing evidence of the applicant's teaching qualifications.

It is very important that each of the scholarly works on which the committee should place special emphasis, is attached in its entirety. It is the applicant's responsibility to make sure all relevant documentation is present.

The application along with attachments with authorized translations into English or a Scandinavian language must be uploaded in JobbNorge.

If the applicant has scientific work that cannot be sent electronically due to format or size, it can be sent by mail (a total of 4 copies/sorted in 4 equal piles) together with a list to University of Bergen, Faculty of Law, Postbox 5806, NO-5020 Bergen, Norway, within 20.10.2022. If so, please make a note that you are sending these works in the electronical application.

Please note that the applications will be forwarded to the committee with the information and attachments uploaded in JobbNorge at closing date.

Reference is made to "Rules for employment in scientific positions and academic/administrative management positions."

For further information about the recruitment process, click [here](#).

We offer:

- the possibility for a permanent position as professor at the end of the tenure track period if the candidate is qualified
- a good and professionally challenging working environment
- annual salary of NOK 728 000-889 000 before taxes (pay scale 75-82, code 1011). The position is placed on a salary scale that provides automatic salary development for ten years with at 1,1 % annual increase. A higher salary may be considered for a particularly well qualified applicant.

- enrollment in the Norwegian Public Service Pension Fund
- a position in an inclusive workplace (IA enterprise)
- good welfare benefits

General information

Additional information on the position is obtainable from the Dean, Professor Karl Harald Søvig, phone: +47 55 58 95 33 or e-mail: Karl.Sovig@uib.no.

Practical questions about the application process should be directed to HR at hrjur@uib.no.

The state labour force shall reflect the diversity of Norwegian society to the greatest extent possible. Age and gender balance among employees is therefore a goal. It is also a goal to recruit people with immigrant backgrounds. People with immigrant backgrounds and people with disabilities are encouraged to apply for the position. We encourage women to apply. If multiple applicants have approximately equivalent qualifications, the rules pertaining to moderate gender quotas shall apply.

The University of Bergen applies the principle of public access to information when recruiting staff for academic positions. Information about applicants may be made public even if the applicant has asked not to be named on the list of persons who have applied. The applicant must be notified if the request to be omitted is not met.

The successful applicant must comply with the guidelines that apply to the position at all times.

Qualifications needed to get a permanent position as professor at the end of the tenure track period

The tenure track position is given according to Regulation 24 March 2015 No. 341 (forskrift om ansettelse på innstegsvilkår). The contract of employment, along with the announcement text and the description of the position, determine the results, demands and criteria that the applicant should fulfil during the tenure track period in order to get a permanent position as professor. To get a permanent position as professor at the Faculty of Law after the end of the tenure track period, the candidate must go through a final evaluation, and must have achieved the current requirements for professor competence as approved by the Faculty Board at the Faculty of Law.

- A midterm evaluation will be carried out at the start of year 4.
- A final evaluation will be carried out at the start of year 6. The candidate can apply for forced final evaluation after three years in the position.
- The promotion to professor is subject to a satisfactory evaluation.

The requirements for a permanent position as professor are currently stipulated by Regulation 9 February 2006 No. 129 (forskrift om ansettelse og opprykk i undervisnings- og forskerstillinger).

Reference is made to the University's General Regulations which state that as part of the normal duties of the position, the successful applicant may also be required to undertake teaching, supervision and work in connection with examinations in his or her particular field outside the organisational unit to which the appointment belongs.

About The University of Bergen

The University of Bergen is a renowned educational and research institution, organised into seven faculties and approximately 54 institutes and academic centres. Campus is located in the centre of Bergen with university areas at Nygårdshøyden, Haukeland, Marineholmen, Møllendalsveien and Årstad.

Faculty of law - [Read more about the faculty.](#)

Tilleggsinformasjon

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