

The Faculty of Social Sciences (Department of Government) of the University of Vienna is advertising a

Post-doctoral position (3 years, 40hrs/week) within the ERC Project PARTISAN

Overview:

The position is for research to be conducted as part of a Consolidator Grant from the European Research Council to Prof. Markus Wagner, hosted at the Department of Government of the University of Vienna. The grant is for a major research project on “Partisan prejudice: Origins, Consequences and Remedies in European Multiparty Democracies”, which will run from October 2022 to September 2027.

PARTISAN will provide a novel theoretical framework and rigorous empirical evidence for understanding partisan prejudice, which exists when citizens hold stereotypical views of and dislike the supporters of certain parties, sometimes amounting to outright partisan hostility. The project aims to provide new evidence on the prevalence and origins of partisan prejudice and assess its political and societal consequences, including for political participation, discrimination and social cohesion. The project will also provide political and societal actors with evidence on ways to reduce partisan prejudice. PARTISAN will implement new measurement tools in a new twelve-country survey and in experiments conducted in population-based surveys and in the field.

The project is hosted by the Department of Government at the University of Vienna, a vibrant political science department dedicated to excellence in research and teaching, a relaxed social atmosphere, and located in one of the world’s best cities.

Job description:

- Conduct and publish high-quality research within the framework of PARTISAN.
- Co-responsibility in the collection, analysis and interpretation of data via cross-national surveys and survey experiments.
- Collaborate closely with other researchers in the project.
- Disseminate results from PARTISAN at national and international conferences and in high-quality academic outlets, and present PARTISAN’s output in departmental seminars.
- Participation in research administration and the organisation of project’s related events (e.g., webinars and workshops).
- The position provides opportunities to advance the candidate’s own research agenda within the framework of the project, but it is ideal if the research agenda overlaps with that of the project.
- Starting date: **1 October 2022 or thereafter.**

Your Profile:

- Doctorate/PhD in political science or a related discipline (completed or close to completion).
- Research focus on political psychology, electoral behavior or related field.

- Excellent publication record (i.e. publications in highly-ranked international journals) or demonstrated potential thereof.
- Strong methodological qualitative skills and/or quantitative skills.
- Experience in survey design and/or survey experiments.
- Ability and willingness to work independently as well as in a larger team.
- Willingness to acquire new methodological skills (e.g., automated text analysis, design of survey experiments).
- Excellent command of English (written and spoken).
- Language proficiency (C1/C2) of European languages beyond English and German is an asset.

Salary (gross): Salary scheme of the University of Vienna: B1 b, 40.00 hours/week, with relevant work experience determining the assignment to a particular salary grade.

Application:

Applications including:

- letter of motivation (1-2 pages)
- curriculum vitae (including list of publications)
- two academic writing samples (e.g., chapter of doctoral thesis, articles or working papers)
- contact details of two potential referees.

should be sent electronically to partisan.staatswissenschaft@univie.ac.at by **27 May 2022**. Interviews will be held in June 2022. Expected starting date is **1 October 2022 or thereafter**.

For informal enquiries about this job, contact the PI, Prof. Markus Wagner, via email: markus.wagner@univie.ac.at