Technische Universität Berlin offers an open position:

**Research assistant - 0.66 working time - salary grade E13 TV-L Berliner Hochschulen**

Faculty I - Institute of History and Philosophy of Science, Technology, and Literature / ERC-project HRP-IAEA

Reference number: I-976/19 (starting at the earliest possible / until 28/02/2023 / closing date for applications 28/02/20)

**Working field:** HRP-IAEA addresses the following key question: how the International Atomic Energy Agency, a diplomatic and political international organization, came to dominate scientific institutions with a long tradition in radiation protection. In order to address this question the ERC research team is undertaking a series of case studies focusing on the IAEA’s early technical assistance programs and its relations to other regulatory institutions. Our focus is on the kind of nuclear diplomacy the IAEA developed throughout the early years of its establishment. The successful applicant is expected to explore IAEA’s emerging role in regulating civilian applications of nuclear energy, and the tensions inherent in its activities. Relevant questions involve the IAEA’s regulatory practices in competition and/or in collaboration with other institutions (i.e. the World Health Organization, the International Labor Office, and the International Commission on Radiological Protection) and the diplomatic practices that allowed the IAEA to undertake a significant role in radiation protection.

The successful applicant is expected to:

- complete a doctoral dissertation in English based on his/her project research and contribute to publications
- perform archival research related to this topic and process archival data
- conduct interviews with key actors for his/her project
- contribute to administrative issues related to his/her own research (reporting, etc.)
- contribute to the dissemination activities of the project by posting to social media, the project’s website etc.
- contribute to the cross-cutting research agenda of the project as a whole and to the HRP-IAEA’s exhibition(s) on the history of radiation protection
- participate in international conferences and the project’s events

Specific questions regarding the project may be addressed to Prof. Dr. Maria Rentetzi (maria.rentetzi@tu-berlin.de). For more info on the overall scope of the project see https://iaeahistory.weebly.com/

**Requirements:**

- successfully completed university degree (Diplom, Master or equivalent) in international history, political sciences, history of science and medicine, science and technology studies, or other associated fields and indicate a strong interest in the project
- prior experience of working in a team and of conducting archival research is essential
- computer skills are desirable
- excellent command of written and spoken English
- the successful applicant is required to reside in Berlin for the duration of the project

Please send your application with the reference number preferably by e-mail to nina.krampitz@tu-berlin.de. Your application should include in a single pdf file carrying your last name the following:

- a brief cover letter explaining your research interests and your motivation to apply
- a full curriculum vitae,
- a research proposal (1500 words) that directly addresses this call.
- a writing sample,
- and two reference letters

Shortlisted candidates will be interviewed.

Please send your application to Technische Universität Berlin - Der Präsident - Fakultät I, Institut für Philosophie, Literatur-, Wissenschafts- und Technikgeschichte, Prof. Dr. Maria Rentetzi, ERC-Projekt HRP-IAEA, Sekr. H 23, Straße des 17. Juni 135, 10623 Berlin.

To ensure equal opportunities between women and men, applications by women with the required qualifications are explicitly desired. Qualified individuals with disabilities will be favored. The TU Berlin values the diversity of its members and is committed to the goals of equal opportunities.

Please send copies only. Original documents will not be returned.
The vacancy is also available on the internet at http://www.personalabteilung.tu-berlin.de/menue/jobs/