

The Austrian Centre for Digital Humanities (ACDH-OeAW), a research department of the Austrian Academy of Sciences (Austria's leading non-university research facility), is seeking a

## **Historian (f/m)** **(full time 100%)**

The main purpose of the HistoGIS project is the creation of a geographical information system (GIS) and a web application for historical data about political/administrative boundaries. In the project we aim to collect, homogenize, enrich, interlink and store this data in a machine-readable and persistent manner.

For the project we are looking for a researcher with profound knowledge of (Central) Europe's political and administrative history between 1750 and 1918.

The main tasks of the applicant will be:

- the systematic collection of material providing information about historical political and administrative boundaries such as previously published maps, secondary literature and archival source material,
- to produce reliable metadata about the datasets created in the project (e.g. the duration of a political entity, its successors/predecessors etc.),
- the curation and review of the data produced in the project and
- the publication of relevant research findings in academic journals and their presentation at conferences.

We expect the applicant to have

- a basic understanding of GIS,
- some experience with GIS-applications (e.g. qGis).

Basic understanding of the principles of linked open data (LOD) and/or scripting languages are regarded as valuable assets.

The employment will start in May 2018 and run for 24 months. In accordance with the collective agreement for employees of the Austrian Academy of Science, the initial monthly salary is € 2.715 (paid out 14 times a year). Part time employment possible.

Please send your application (including CV, statement of motivation and references of previous projects) by email to [peter.andorfer@oeaw.ac.at](mailto:peter.andorfer@oeaw.ac.at). The application deadline is Friday, 9 March 2018.

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