

Job ID: ÖAI105DOC220

The Austrian Archaeological Institute ([OeAI](#)) of the Austrian Academy of Sciences ([OeAW](#)), Austria's leading non-university research and science institution, is offering a

PHD STUDENT POSITION (F*M)

(part-time, 30h per week)

for a duration of 24 months, starting with January 1st, 2021.

For the FWF-project „Fingerprinting white marbles“ (P 33042), a PhD student position is available for the topic "Organisation, transportation and logistics of marble from the quarries to the cities in Roman Thrace". The project is part of an Austrian Bulgarian joint research program under the direction of S. Ladstätter, W. Prochaska (both ÖAI) and H. Popov, Z. Dimitrov (both NAIM).

The aims of the project are a petrographic-geochemical classification of Thracian white marbles used in antiquity by comparing quarries with the marble landscape of cities and villas, taking into consideration architecture, sculpture and inscriptions. Based on Roman economic models, scientific questions regarding demand-based production, regional markets, workshops, as well as a connection between the quality of the raw material and the kind of the final product will be tracked.

Your tasks:

- Analysis of building economics in Roman Thrace
- Depth-in study of transport routes from the quarries to the customers
- Landscape modelling
- Carrying out a dissertation project, which is compatible with the research area of the institute

Your profile:

- Master's degree in Archaeology or Ancient History
- Interests in interdisciplinary research, especially the interface between geology and archaeology
- Willingness for research stays in Bulgaria

Our offer:

- An exceptional research environment at the Austrian Archaeological Institute and excellent infrastructural general conditions at the Austrian Academy of Sciences
- Flexible time arrangement

We offer an annual gross salary of € 30.878,40 according to the salary scheme of the Austrian Science Fund ([EFWF](#)).

Please send your application including a curriculum vitae, two reference letters and a letter of motivation with a description of your existing knowledge on the research topic via e-mail to zentrale@oeai.at (mentioning Job ID: ÖAI105DOC220) with the subject line "Candidature Doc-Thrace" **not later than November 15, 2020**.

The Austrian Academy of Sciences (OeAW) pursues a non-discriminatory employment policy and values equal opportunities, as well as diversity. The OeAW lays special emphasis on increasing the number of women in senior and in academic positions. Given equal qualifications, preference will be given to female applicants.