



**One research associate position available at the  
Department for Political Science, University of Freiburg,  
Germany**

**Project:** The Design of International Organizations.  
Fostering Diplomatic Deliberation?  
**PI:** Prof. Dr. Diana Panke  
**Start:** between 1<sup>st</sup> of October 2017 and 1<sup>st</sup> of  
November 2017  
**Duration:** 36 months  
**Salary:** 0,65 TVL E13 (c.f. for details  
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Starting between 1<sup>st</sup> of October 2017 and 1<sup>st</sup> of November 2017 one position as research associate/PhD candidate is available in the research project „The Design of International Organizations. Fostering Diplomatic Deliberation? “. The project is funded by the German Research Council (DFG).

**Abstract of the project:**

Whether we look at constitutions, founding treaties, or the rules of procedure of states and International Organizations (IO), it is striking that many rules on interaction between actors create room for deliberation, whilst simultaneously limiting the time available for discussion. While the latter speeds up decision making, it risks reducing its quality and legitimacy. How are these competing elements formally and de facto balanced in IOs? Do IOs differ in this respect, and if so, how and why? The project first assesses variation in the extent to which institutional design fosters or inhibits diplomatic deliberation in IOs. Second, a survey captures the actual usage of institutional rules. On this basis, the project explains variation, fit, and mismatch in institutional design and diplomatic deliberative practices within and across IOs. Third, the project examines how and under what conditions deliberative institutional design and deliberative diplomatic practices impact IOs' problem solving effectiveness and legitimacy.

More details are available at: [https://portal.uni-  
freiburg.de/politik/professuren/governance/forschung](https://portal.uni-freiburg.de/politik/professuren/governance/forschung)

Your responsibilities include:

- Supporting the data collection on institutional design of IOs and deliberative practices, database management and finalization of the codebook
- Coordination of and cooperation with student research assistants
- Conducting the quantitative analysis
- Co-authorship of project publications

Required qualifications:

- Completed MA degree in political science (or equivalent social sciences degree) with a solid training in research design and methods
- Very good skills in quantitative methods of data analysis
- Solid knowledge of theory and practice of international relations
- Fluency in English, additional language skills are of advantage
- Ability to work in a team and an interest in the research project
- Willingness to write a PhD thesis during the three year employment

Please email your application with a brief letter of motivation, CV, and list of degrees/grades obtained, copies of your degrees as well as a one page outline of your planned PhD project by July 25<sup>th</sup> 2017 to sekretariat.governance@politik.uni-freiburg.de (please make sure that your pdf file does not exceed 8 MB).

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