

Vacancy for post- doctoral economic researchers at the IPTS

Project Title	The Digital Economy Research Programme
Project Description	<p>The Information Society Unit has vacancies for researchers to work in the "Digital Economy" team. This team is carrying out research to support European policies, in particular those resulting from the EU2020 strategy and its flagship initiatives: the Digital Agenda and Innovation Union.</p> <p>We are a growing team of economists working on policy-relevant modelling and quantitative research in the Digital Economy Research Programme. The overall objective of the programme is to quantify the economic impact of the switch from analogue to digital information processing and communication technology (ICT), including the impact of the ICT industries and ICT use on productivity and economic growth, e-commerce, changes in consumer behaviour, welfare gains, information ownership and privacy issues. Research work will focus on empirical analysis including firm level data, consumer surveys and information harvested on the internet. The work is often at the cutting edge of economic research and technological innovation. Some studies are carried out internally, others involve external academic collaborators. We work closely with DG Information Society in the European Commission headquarters in Brussels.</p> <p>We are looking for enthusiastic research economists with a robust background in quantitative economic techniques, including applied economic modelling and econometrics. An additional background in consumer behaviour models; the economics of R&D, innovation and technological change; the economics of privacy and intellectual property rights; experimental economics or network modelling, including sociometrics/social graph theory, would be useful. Further assets would be to show: a forward-looking mindset and a capacity to think out-of-the-box in this fast-evolving digital economy and technology landscape that often requires innovative economic analysis; An active interest in the economics of information society policy issues and the ability to translate research findings into relevant messages for policy makers.</p> <p>The candidates are expected to have the necessary qualities to conduct his/her own research, and also to manage team-based projects. The CV, along with publications, should demonstrate good writing and communication skills in English, and the ability to write & publish peer-reviewed scientific articles.</p> <p>Candidates must hold a PhD degree or have a minimum of 5 years research experience after the first university degree giving access to doctoral studies (which may include periods of training such as a masters degree), in a field relevant to the JRC's scientific activities. Candidates who have not yet completed all the formalities to obtain a PhD or who have not yet attained 5 years of research experience on the date of application may also be considered as eligible to apply. However the PhD must have been obtained or the 5 years of research experience reached prior to the signature of the grantholder contract. A very good level of written and spoken English is essential and knowledge of at least one other EU language is compulsory.</p>
Duration	36 months
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