The Institute of Philosophy invites applications for the position of

**Research Assistant (Doctoral Candidate, m/f/d)**

**(Salary Scale 13 TV-L, 65%)**

starting May 1, 2020, or as soon as possible thereafter. The position is limited to three years.

**Responsibilities and duties**

This position is part of the research project “The Explanatory Scope of Generalized Darwinism: Towards Criteria for Evolutionary Explanations Outside Biology” (GenDar), which is funded jointly by the Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft (DFG) and the Agence Nationale de la Recherche (ANR). The GenDar project consists of two research teams, one at the Institute of Philosophy (Leibniz University Hannover) and one at the Institut d’Histoire et de Philosophie des Sciences et des Techniques (Université Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne). The project is jointly lead by Thomas Reydon (Hannover) and Philippe Huneman (Paris). Further information on the GenDar project can be found on [https://www.reydon.info/darwinism-project/](https://www.reydon.info/darwinism-project/).

The successful candidate’s main task will be to conduct research on a dissertation project on the topics covered by the Hannover team in the GenDar research project, leading to a PhD awarded by Leibniz University Hannover. The dissertation will be jointly supervised by Thomas Reydon (lead supervisor) and Philippe Huneman. The successful candidate will be based in Hannover, but will work in close cooperation with the Paris team and spend several brief research visits in Paris.

**Employment conditions and requirements**

To qualify for the position, applicants should hold a university degree in an area relevant to the research project (typically a Master’s degree in Philosophy, HPS, (Theoretical) Biology, or a related area) and must be eligible to enroll as a doctoral student in Philosophy at Leibniz University Hannover. Applicants should be fluent in English and should clearly demonstrate an interest in some of the topics studied in the GenDar project (the epistemology and metaphysics of evolutionary theory, evolutionary social science, the use of theories from the natural sciences in the social sciences, etc.). A demonstrable background in Philosophy of Biology and/or (Theoretical) Evolutionary Biology will be advantageous.

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As an equal opportunities employer, Leibniz University Hannover intends to promote all genders equally. For this reason suitably qualified women and people of diverse gender are specifically invited to apply. Preference will be given to equally qualified applicants with disabilities.

For further information about the GenDar project and the available position, please contact Professor Dr. Thomas Reydon (reydon@ww.uni-hannover.de).

**Application**

Please submit your application with supporting documents (minimally: a cover letter explaining your interest, your qualifications for the position and your specific interest in working as part of the Institute of philosophy in Hannover & your CV & a short writing sample) preferably as a single pdf by email to

Professor Thomas Reydon (reydon@ww.uni-hannover.de)

or by mail to

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The deadline for applications is **March 21, 2020**.

[http://www.uni-hannover.de/jobs](http://www.uni-hannover.de/jobs)

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