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RESEARCH ASSOCIATE IN INTERNATIONAL AND EUROPEAN LAW, BEHAVIOURAL SCIENCE, AND SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT § 28 SUBSECTION 1 HMBHG (2 POSITIONS)

Institution: Faculty of Law, Institute of Law and Economics

Salary level: EGR. 13 TV-L

Start date: as soon as possible, fixed for a period of three years. (This is a fixed-term contract in accordance with Section 2 of the academic fixed-term labor contract act [Wissenschaftszeitvertragsgesetz, WissZeitVG]).

Application deadline: 2026-08-17

Scope of work: part-time

Weekly hours: 50 % of standard work hours per week

Your responsibilities

Research associates will be expected primarily to teach and conduct research. The research associate will also have the opportunity to pursue further academic qualifications, in particular a doctoral dissertation. At least one-third of set working hours will be made available for the research associate's own academic work.

Research associates will be expected to teach (2.25 LVS) and conduct research within an international and interdisciplinary team led by Prof. Dr. Eva van der Zee LL.M. The position is embedded in a broader research agenda in international and European law, with a particular focus on sustainable development and climate change, integrating perspectives from behavioural sciences (such as behavioural law and economics, sociology, political science, and psychology).

Teaching responsibilities cover International and European Law, and/or Law and Economics. In addition, the position involves substantive and organizational support for projects in these areas.

Your profile

A university degree in a relevant field.

The ideal candidate holds a university degree in international law, European law, law and economics, or a related legal discipline (completion of the First State Examination in Law, LL.M. or equivalent). An interdisciplinary background is highly desirable, such as behavioural law and economics, sociology, political science or psychology.

Candidates with a primary background in the social sciences are also encouraged to apply, provided they have a demonstrable affinity with legal or regulatory issues.

The candidate should have a strong ambition to pursue a doctoral dissertation and an interest in research on sustainable development and/or climate change. Experience with publishing in international peer-reviewed journals and/or organizing workshops and conferences is an advantage.

Excellent command of English, both in academic writing and presenting, is essential. Excellent command of the German language is an advantage.

We offer



Reliable remuneration based on wage agreements



Continuing education opportunities



University pensions



Attractive location



Flexible working hours



Work-life balance opportunities



Health management, EGYM Wellpass



Educational leave



30 days of vacation per annum

Universität Hamburg—University of Excellence is one of the strongest research educational institutions in Germany. Our work in research, teaching, educational and knowledge exchange activities is fostering the next generation of responsible global citizens ready to tackle the global challenges facing us. Our guiding principle “Innovating and Cooperating for a Sustainable Future in a digital age” drives collaboration with academic and nonacademic partner institutions in the Hamburg Metropolitan Region and around the world. We would like to invite you to be part of our community to work with us in creating sustainable and digital change for a dynamic and pluralist society.

The University of Hamburg is committed to equity. Diversity enriches our university life, whether in our studies, research, teaching, education, or workplace. We therefore welcome all applications, regardless of gender, gender identity, sexual orientation, ethnic or social background, age, religion or belief, disability, or chronic illness.

Severely disabled and disabled applicants with the same status will receive preference over equally qualified non-disabled applicants.

Notice regarding the background check under Section 34a of the Hamburg security clearance act (Gesetz zur Regelung der Sicherheitsüberprüfungen, HmbSÜG): On behalf of the person chosen in the selection procedure, this office submits an inquiry to the state office for the protection of the constitution (Landesamt für Verfassungsschutz) regarding any available findings/information which meet the statutory requirements ([background check](#) and [data protection information](#)).

Instructions for applying

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Reference number

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Use only the online application form to submit your application with the following documents:

- cover letter
- CV
- copies of degree certificate(s)

If you experience technical problems, send an email to bewerbungen@uni-hamburg.de.
More information on [data protection](#) in selection procedures.

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