

University or Organization: ZAS Leibniz-Zentrum Allgemeine Sprachwissenschaft
Job Location: Berlin, Germany Web Address: <http://www.zas.gwz-berlin.de/index.html>
Job Title: Researcher (Wissenschaftlicher Mitarbeiter)
Job Rank: Post Doc, 80%
Specialty Areas: Corpus Linguistics / Language archiving and Phonetics

Description:

The Leibniz-Zentrum Allgemeine Sprachwissenschaft (ZAS) in Berlin invites applications for a three year postdoc position in the area of Corpus Linguistics and Phonetics. The position is part of the joint German/French project funded by DFG and ANR, "Cross-linguistic phonetics and morphology using a time-aligned multilingual reference corpus built from documentation of 50 languages: Big data on small languages" (DoReCo).

DoReCo will investigate spontaneously spoken language in a diverse sample of about 50 languages. We will focus on phonetic lengthening depending on the nature of segments and as indicators of phrase boundaries; the French sister project will investigate morpheme rate and number of morphemes in inter-pausal units. This work involves the creation of a reference corpus of audio recordings in collaboration with the original corpus creators; it is an important goal of the project that this reference corpus is made available for future research.

For this reason we are looking for a person with a double qualification in corpus building / language archiving and phonetics. Please specify your past experience in those areas, including software skills. The work will require contact with project partners in France and in Munich, and with the creators of original corpora; the project will have three student assistants for support.

At ZAS, the PI of the project is Manfred Krifka in collaboration with Susanne Fuchs. In France, the PI of the project is Frank Seifart.

The position should start March 1, 2019. It is an 80% position, pay level TöDV E13, running for 36 months.

Please submit, with subject: "DoReCo Application", a letter of intent that states in particular the nature of your interest in the project and your expertise that you could contribute, as well as an CV, in one pdf file to the application email provided below. Please also provide names and e-mail addresses for two persons that may be able to send letters of reference; please do not send these letters with the first application.

ZAS is an equal opportunity employer.

Application Deadline: 20-Jan-2019 (Open until filled)

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