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# Funded PhD student positions at the Institute of Management and Organization (IMO) Università della Svizzera italiana (USI), at Lugano (Switzerland)

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USI invites applications for 1 position in the Management stream of the PhD program in Economics.

The successful candidate will work as teaching and research assistant at the Institute of Management and Organization, and will be supervised by Professor Stefan Arora-Jonsson. The position is within the area of economic sociology and organization theory.

The ideal candidate will be interested in collecting and analyzing large data to gain a greater understanding of topics covered in major journals in the field of organization theory (e.g., Organization Science, Administrative Science Quarterly, Academy of Management Journal). A keen interest in quantitative empirical research is required. Knowledge of programming languages (e.g., R, Python, Julia) will be highly considered, as will a background in political science.

With its emphasis on rigorous training and high-quality research, the Faculty of Economics at USI provides a solid first step toward the development of a successful international academic career. To satisfy the minimum criteria for consideration, applicants must have completed a Master degree in management, economics, sociology, psychology, or closely related fields prior to joining the program. The official language of the Ph.D. program is English. Admission to the Ph.D. program is highly competitive. Admission decisions are based on the candidates' background, interests, attitude and potential for academic achievement. Successful enrollment in the PhD is hardly compatible with additional professional undertakings.

Applications should contain a Curriculum Vitae, a short letter stating a research interest and motivation, transcript of university education, and the names of two academic references that can be contacted for more information for the short-listed candidates. The candidate is also welcome to include any other significant certifications (e.g. TOEFL, GMAT, GRE...) or material (e.g., Master Thesis) that s/he deems relevant.

Applications should be sent directly to [stefan.johan.arora.jonsson@usi.ch](mailto:stefan.johan.arora.jonsson@usi.ch).

Evaluations will begin in August, and applications received before September 1st, will be given priority.